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Lamont to rock fundraiser for Dems

Michael Bolton, Steve Miller to perform July 29

By Christopher Keating
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — A baby boomer who wanted to go to Woodstock as a teenager, Gov. Ned Lamont has a wide variety of musical tastes. His latest musical foray is a

rock concert next week in Bridgeport by the Steve Miller Band as a fundraiser for Connecticut Democrats with Lamont as the special guest.

The event is co-hosted by Grammy Award-winning singer Michael Bolton of Westport and legendary concert promoter Jim Koplik of Stamford.

A bipartisan musician, Bolton has performed for the presidential campaigns of both Bill and Hillary Clinton. He also appeared frequently at events

in the late 1990s with then-Republican Gov. John G. Rowland, whose wife, Patty, was a major fan of Bolton. Bolton even wrote a character reference for Rowland in an attempt to obtain a lighter sentence in 2014 before Rowland was sent to federal prison for the second time in a campaign finance case.

“We, at The Michael Bolton Charities, believe John Rowland has much to contribute to our

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A longtime rock music fan, Gov. Ned Lamont surveys the record collection at the back of the Semilla Cafe on Main Street in Hartford. **CHRISTOPHER KEATING/HARTFORD COURANT**



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Have time, will travel

California native Bill Peltola, 79, has been spending his retirement traveling around the United States. On Monday, Peltola visited the Connecticut state Capitol Building and walks toward the Connecticut State Library.

Parts of state have high rates of drug OD, death

Will an increase in services for residents make a difference?

By Ed Stannard
Hartford Courant

Rural sections of eastern Connecticut, especially Windham and Tolland counties, lack services for those with substance use disorder, as well as transportation to get to the help available.

A new Yale School of Medicine study will help determine the best way to help inmates who have been released within 30 days and those who have been involved with the justice system because of opioid or stimulant use to establish stable, drug-free lives.

The study includes New London and Middlesex counties as well, but “we’re actually focusing on Windham and Tolland counties, where there are very few services available,” said Dr. Sandra Springer, the principal investigator and an associate professor specializing in infectious diseases.

“We have a horrible public transportation system” in Connecticut, she said. “If you live in Tolland or Windham County, how are you supposed to get to a clinic if you have no car?”

The study “also includes individuals who have been involved

in other community probation, parole, other justice involvement, Springer said. Staff can begin to meet with inmates in prison within 30 days of their release as well.

“It’s kind of a broad group, but individuals could be recruited while they’re currently in prison or jail or a [Department of Correction]-controlled environment,” Springer said.

The study is being described as the ACTION study. Its full name is Addressing Risk Through Community Treatment for Infectious Disease and Opioid Use Disorder Now. It is also being carried out in Dallas and Tarrant counties (Fort Worth), Texas, by Texas Christian University.

The main purpose of the study is to see whether a mobile health van or a patient navigator, who meets individually with clients, is more effective in helping study participants get back on their feet.

“The nice thing about knowing ahead of time ... is you can start doing the planning,” Springer said. “Release day is very chaotic. There’s lots of things going on.”

They also work with the discharge planner to make sure no one is missed.

“We want to get them within 30 days of their last exposure”

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Grocery workers wear masks last week while helping a customer in New Orleans. The BA.5 variant of COVID-19 is dominating a surge of new infections, but many health officials say this is cause for caution, not alarm. **EMILY KASK/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

COVID-19 surges around US again; cases up in 40 states

Health alerts more muted, data not so clear in latest spike

By Julie Bosman, Thomas Fuller and Edgar Sandoval
The New York Times

COVID-19 is surging around the United States again in what experts consider the most transmissible variant of the pandemic yet.

But something is different this time: The public health authorities are holding back.

In Chicago, where the country’s COVID-19 warning level was

raised to “high” last week, the city’s top doctor said there was no reason for residents to let the virus control their lives. The state health director in Louisiana likened a new rise in COVID-19 cases there to a downpour — “a surge within a surge” — but characterized the situation as concerning but not alarming.

The latest surge, driven by a spike of BA.5 subvariant cases in this country since May, has sent infections rising in at least 40 states, particularly in the Great Plains, West and South. Hospitalizations have climbed by 20% in the last two weeks, leaving more

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Another in chain vote to unionize

Next for employees at Starbucks in Vernon is winning a contract

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

VERNON — Workers at a Starbucks in Vernon have voted in a union, the second in the chain of coffee shops in Connecticut.

That was the easy part. The company and union, Starbucks Workers United, now must negotiate a contract that could take a few years.

“The company keeps walking out of negotiations and refusing to cooperate,” Travis Glenney, a shift supervisor at the state’s first unionized Starbucks, at Corbin’s Corner in West Hartford, said Monday as Vernon colleagues celebrated their union win.

Starbucks’ press office did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment.

However, Mellody Hobson, chairman of Starbucks’ board, said at the company’s annual meeting in March the company is “negotiating in good faith” and wants a constructive relationship with the union.

“Fifty years of experience also shows us that by having a direct relationship with our partners, we’ve been able to grow and succeed,” she said. “So we appreciate the question, we’re leaning into the issue and we’re working hard to make sure we hear the concerns that are out there.”

The Vernon store on Thursday voted 13-1 to organize a union, Dara Rinaldi, a shift supervisor, said. Understaffing and scheduling problems were key issues that prompted employees to organize a union, she said.

It joins 192 other Starbucks in the U.S. where union representation elections were scheduled, with 171 certified, according to the National Labor Relations Board. The company reported 9,861 stores in North America as of October 2021.

The NLRB said Starbucks must begin bargaining in good faith at stores where the union has been certified as the representative.

Christian Sweeney, deputy organizing director at the AFL-CIO, the national federation of labor unions, said bargaining in good faith is a legal standard that has “lots and lots of conditions.”

It includes several obligations, including not to make certain changes without bargaining with the union and to not bypass the union and deal directly with employees it represents.

Kate Bronfenbrenner, who teaches research methods, organizing and contract negotiating at the School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University, said a contract is negotiated at 75% of companies within three years of workers organizing a union. The other 25% take more than three years to reach agreement on a first

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West Hartford asks judge to dismiss lawsuit

West Hartford’s Board of Education and fellow defendants are asking that a lawsuit filed by two residents who are seeking to prevent the changing of the mascots of the two public high schools be dismissed. **Connecticut, Page 1**

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Police: Men fatally shot each other during fight

By Taylor Hartz
Hartford Courant

Two men died when they shot each other during a fight in New Britain on Monday afternoon, police said.

Officers responded to 57 Walnut St. about 12:54 p.m. Monday for a report of shots fired and found two men suffering from gunshot wounds, according to the New Britain Police Department.

A 33-year-old man from Rocky Hill was unresponsive when officers arrived. Despite treatment from emergency personnel, he was pronounced dead at the scene, police said.

The other man, a 25-year-old from New Haven, was rushed to a nearby hospital where he, too, was pronounced dead, police said.

Investigators determined that the men knew each other and were having an “active dispute” before the shooting.

Both men were armed while fighting and “the conflict escalated to where they exchanged gunfire,” police said.

The department said there was no danger to the public.

“The two males involved in this incident were known to each other. This is a very specific and isolated incident. There is no threat to the public at this time,” Chief Christopher Chute said in a statement.

Police are investigating the scene and speaking to witnesses. Anyone with information is asked to contact Sgt. Kyle Jones at 860-826-3131 or the department’s tip line at 860-826-3199.

Fundraiser

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community and that given the opportunity, John will continue his work on behalf of women and children at risk,” Bolton wrote.

At the concert on July 29 in Bridgeport, Democratic supporters at the “gold” level will pay \$500 for a reception and two tickets to the performance, while those at the “silver” level will pay \$350.

The Steve Miller Band had some of its greatest hits in the mid-1970s, when Lamont was in college, as the band sang “Jet Air Liner,” “The Joker,” “Swingtown,” “Abracadabra,” and “Take the Money and Run,” among others. Miller was inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland in 2016 as a solo artist.

Known to often wear a Grateful Dead belt, Lamont came up with the idea for the reception at the concert at the Hartford Healthcare Amphitheater, which was built on the site of a former minor league baseball stadium.

Lamont is not personal friends with Miller, and Miller is not expected at the reception, officials said Monday.

“It’s well known that our governor is a rock and roll fan, so this event will be an opportunity to have some fun while raising money for our amazing Democratic candidates across the state,” said Nancy DiNardo, chairwoman of the state Democratic Party. “And where better to do that than at an amazing rock show at one of the best music venues in the Northeast.”

Lamont was touring a Hartford cafe near Dunkin’ Donuts Park last week when he was directed to a large record collection in the back of the cafe. He enthusiastically looked through the vinyl record albums by the Talking Heads and The B-52s, whose hit “Love Shack” was released in



Singer Michael Bolton, of Westport, left, and legendary concert promoter Jim Koplik, of Stamford, right, are co-hosting a Democratic fundraiser in Bridgeport with Gov. Ned Lamont as the special guest. They are shown here in 2019 with Allman Brothers Band drummer Jaimoe, a longtime Bloomfield resident. COURANT FILE PHOTOS



Gov. Ned Lamont, right, dances at the 50th anniversary of Woodstock in 2019 with concertgoers.

parents had blocked him from attending the original, multiday, psychedelic festival.

“That’s absolutely true,” he said. “I’m still gnashing my teeth 50 years later. My father looked at me like I was nuts.”

A wealthy business entrepreneur from Greenwich, Lamont personally financed the 50th anniversary event in Connecticut, including \$17,000 in prize money for the multiple bands that included \$7,500 for the winners.

On the stage, Lamont announced that rock star Janis Joplin did not play one of her most famous songs at Woodstock, but he asked the crowd to join him in the song.

“Oh, Lord, won’t you buy me a Mercedes Benz?” Lamont sang as the crowd joined in. “My friends all drive Porsches, I must make amends. Worked hard all my lifetime, no help from my friends. Oh, Lord, won’t you buy me a Mercedes Benz?”

On July 29, the crowd is expected to sing along with the Steve Miller Band.

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Putin aims to school generation of loyalists

New education plan designed to ‘infect’ youth with ideology

By Anton Troianovski
The New York Times

Starting in first grade, students across Russia will soon sit through weekly classes featuring war movies and virtual tours through Crimea. They will be given a steady dose of lectures on topics like “the geopolitical situation” and “traditional values.” In addition to a regular flag-raising ceremony, they will be introduced to lessons celebrating Russia’s “rebirth” under President Vladimir Putin.

And, according to legislation signed into law by Putin last Thursday, all Russian children will be encouraged to join a new patriotic youth movement presided over by the president himself.

Ever since the fall of the Soviet Union, the Russian government’s attempts at imparting a state ideology to schoolchildren have proved unsuccessful, a senior Kremlin bureaucrat, Sergei Novikov, recently told thousands of Russian schoolteachers in an online workshop. But now, amid the war in Ukraine, Putin has made it clear that this needed to change, he said.

“We need to know how to infect them with our ideology,” Novikov said. “Our ideological work is aimed at changing consciousness.”

As the war in Ukraine approaches the five-month mark, the vast ambitions of his plans for the homefront are coming into focus: a wholesale reprogramming of Russian society to end 30 years of openness to the West.

The Kremlin has already jailed or forced into exile just about all activists speaking out against the war; it has criminalized what remained of Russia’s independent journalism; it has cracked down on academics, bloggers and even a hockey player with suspect loyalties.

But nowhere are these ambitions clearer than in the Kremlin’s race to overhaul how children are taught in Russia’s public schools.

The nationwide education initiatives, which start in September, are part of the Russian government’s scramble to indoctrinate children with Putin’s militarized and anti-Western version of patriotism, illustrating the reach of his campaign to use the war to further mobilize Russian society and elim-



Visitors drive a model of a Soviet-era tank at Patriot Park in Kubinka, Russia. The government is scrambling to indoctrinate children with a militarized version of patriotism starting in September. **SERGEY PONOMAREV/THE NEW YORK TIMES 2021**

inate any potential dissent.

While some experts are skeptical that the Kremlin’s grand plans will quickly bear fruit, even before the new school year the potency of its propaganda in changing the minds of impressionable youngsters was already becoming apparent.

A ninth grader, Irina, said that a computer class in Moscow in March, for instance, was replaced by the viewing of a state television report on Ukrainians surrendering to Russian troops and a lecture explaining that only information from official Russian sources was to be trusted.

She noticed a transformation among some friends who were initially scared or confused by the war.

“They suddenly started repeating everything after the television,” Irina said in a phone interview alongside her mother, Lyubov Ten. “They suddenly started saying that this is all deserved, that this had to happen. They couldn’t even attempt to explain this to me.”

Irina said that when she challenged her friends about Russian war crimes in Bucha, they shot back: “It’s all propaganda.”

Ten and her husband, driven in part by their refusal to raise their children in an increas-

ingly militarized environment, left for Poland this spring.

Teachers are also noticing a change. In the city of Pskov near the Estonian border, an English teacher, Irina Milyutina, said that the children at her school at first vigorously argued about whether Russia was right or wrong to invade Ukraine, and sometimes even came to blows.

But soon the voices of dissent evaporated. The children scrawled Z’s and V’s — symbols of support for the war, after the identifying markings on invading Russian armor — on chalkboards, desks and even the floors.

Daniil Ken, the head of an independent teachers’ union, shared with The New York Times some directives that he said teachers had passed along to him.

In one class, students are taught about “hybrid conflicts being carried out against Russia,” with a BBC report about a Russian attack in Ukraine and a statement by President Volodymyr Zelenskyy presented as examples of “fakes” meant to sow discord in Russian society. An accompanying quiz teaches students to distrust any opposition activists in their own communities.

“One of the effective measures of hybrid

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than 40,000 people in American hospitals with the coronavirus on an average day.

More than two years after the pandemic began, though, public health officials are sounding only quiet warnings amid a picture that they hope has been changed by vaccines, treatments and rising immunity. Deaths are rising, but only modestly so far in this new wave. And state and local public health officials say they also must now factor in a reality that is obvious along the streets from Seattle to New York City: Most Americans are meeting a new COVID-19 wave with a collective shrug, shunning masks, joining crowds indoors and moving on from the endless barrage of virus warnings of months past.

Complicating the country’s understanding of this BA.5 wave is a dearth of data. Not since the earliest months of the pandemic has there been so little precise information about the number of actual infections in the United States. As public testing sites have closed and at-home testing — if people test at all — has grown common, the publicly reported data has become scarce and spotty.

Still, experts say, the outlines of a new wave are undeniable.

“You don’t have to count every raindrop to know it’s raining,” said Dr. Joseph Kanter, Louisiana’s state health officer and medical director. “And it’s pouring right now.”

Anita Kurian, an assistant director for the health department in San Antonio, said cases have been rising in the area for six weeks in a row. But some measures, like the low number of deaths so far, suggest that the nation is entering a newer and less lethal stage of the pandemic in which vaccines and treatments have significantly improved chances of survival, she said.

“We are nowhere at the level where we were with the previous surges,” she said.

So far, the current wave’s toll of hospitalizations and deaths pales in comparison to previous spikes. During the peak of the omicron surge in early 2022, close to 159,000 people were hospitalized on any given day.

Experts caution that predicting the months ahead is difficult, particularly given

the high transmissibility of BA.5. Words of caution from national health leaders have slowly increased in intensity in recent weeks.

Still, even as federal health authorities reiterated calls for people to test for COVID-19 before attending large indoor gatherings or visiting especially vulnerable, immunocompromised people, they are striking a delicate balance, telling Americans that while they do not need to upend their lives, they must pay attention to the COVID-19 threat.

“We should not let it disrupt our lives,” Dr. Anthony Fauci, President Joe Biden’s chief medical adviser on the virus, said at a White House news briefing in which he added that new variants could continue to emerge. “But we cannot deny that it is a reality that we need to deal with.”

As health officials in many places have avoided issuing new virus restrictions during the latest surge, California has stood out as an exception. There, public health authorities have issued stark warnings and moved toward reimposing restrictions.

The warnings have been spurred by worrisome data, experts said. Walgreens said that more than half of the COVID-19 tests administered at its California stores have returned with positive results. Surveys of wastewater in the Bay Area suggest this surge could be the biggest yet.

And the number of weekly deaths in Los Angeles County from the coronavirus has doubled from around 50 a month ago to 100 last week. The deaths are still below the levels of the winter omicron surge, when more than 400 were dying weekly in the county.

Officials in Los Angeles say they plan to reinstate a countywide indoor mask mandate as early as the end of this month. Barbara Ferrer, the public health director in the county, said that even a slight increase in masking would help slow transmission of the virus.

“I’m like everyone else: I hate wearing that mask. But more than that, I hate the idea that I might accidentally transmit to somebody else,” Ferrer said. “That’s my biggest fear — that we’re so anxious to be done with this virus that we’re getting complacent.”

rience with drug use,” Thompson said.

“The reason that we are such a perfect partner for the study is we have built trust and relationships with our community in New London and beyond,” she said. She said clients don’t feel stigma because they are familiar with the agency staff.

“It’s a great collaboration because we’re going to expand services to our community, particularly to people who are exiting incarceration,” she said.

Thompson said, “We have seen high rates of overdose and death in New London County,” because cocaine and methamphetamine are almost always laced with fentanyl. The rate of HIV is stable, however, she said.

The mobile health unit will be a “one-stop shop” to test for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and sexually transmitted infections. PrEP, which prevents HIV infection, also will be available. Rapid HIV testing can be done by research staff, Springer said.

“Importantly ... if they have an opioid use disorder diagnosis, that we can also prescribe them medication treatment,” such as buprenorphine and suboxone,” Springer said. They can also provide Narcan.

“Although there’s not an effective medi-

cal treatment for cocaine or methamphetamines, we can at least help ... link them to mental health services they might need,” she said.

The mobile van staff and patient navigators also will be “helping them with housing, food assistance, transportation and other services,” Springer said. “A lot of people are Medicaid-eligible, so we can help them with that. They can also link people up with the Connecticut AIDS Drug Assistance Program, which helps people afford medication.”

Whether those in the study are assigned to go to the mobile health unit or given a patient navigator, “who actually meets with them and brings them to all of their appointments,” all will have improved medical and social assistance, Springer said. “If you get enrolled ... you’re going to get help beyond what people normally are.”

While the study is meant to see which method of delivering services is more effective, “I think it’s going to be a combination of both,” she said.

“We have these dueling epidemics in this country,” she said: drug overdoses, HIV and mass incarceration. COVID-19 has compli-

conflict is the promotion of agents of influence in the local population,” a true-or-false challenge says.

The correct answer, of course, is “true.” The new push represents an intensification of Putin’s yearslong effort to militarize Russian society, building on officials’ ad hoc efforts after the invasion to convince young people that the war was justified.

Novikov, the head of the Kremlin’s “public projects” directorate, said that with the invasion of Ukraine in February, teachers faced “a rather urgent task”: to “carry out explanatory work” and answer students’ “difficult questions.”

“While everything is more or less controllable with the younger ones, the older students receive information through a wide variety of channels,” he said, acknowledging the government’s fears about the internet swaying young people’s views.

Ahead of the next school year, the Kremlin is working to codify its educational ambitions. A proposed decree published by the education ministry last month shows that Putin’s two decades in power are set to be enshrined in the standard curriculum as a historical turning point, while the teaching of history itself will include several new topics like “the rebirth of Russia as a great power in the 21st century,” “reunification with Crimea,” and “the special military operation in Ukraine.”

And while Russia’s existing educational standard says students should be able to evaluate “various versions of history,” the new proposal says they should learn to “defend historical truth” and “uncover falsifications in the Fatherland’s history.”

As government employees, teachers generally have little choice but to comply with the new demands — though there are signs of grassroots resistance. Ken says the Alliance of Teachers, his union, has provided legal guidance to dozens of teachers who have refused to teach this spring’s propaganda classes, noting that political agitation in schools is technically illegal under Russian law. In some cases, he says, principals have simply canceled the classes, knowing they were unpopular.

“You just need to find the moral strength not to facilitate evil,” Sergei Chernyshov, who runs a private high school in the Siberian city of Novosibirsk, said in a phone interview. “If you can’t protest against it, at least don’t help it.”



Dara Rinaldi, left, and Jordie Adams, are Starbucks employees who helped organize a union at the Vernon coffee shop. **HARTFORD COURANT**

Starbucks

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contract. And 40% negotiate an agreement in the first year.

“There’s no force to force them to bargain with a union except unions organizing customers, suppliers and the general public,” Bronfenbrenner said.

Union activity has grown in recent years as workers in industries as varied as warehouses and others organize. From Oct. 1, 2021, to June 30, union representation petitions filed at the NLRB increased 58%, to 1,892 from 1,197 in the same period last year, the agency reported.

Lengthy contract negotiations threaten to undermine the credibility of unions. An employer could withdraw its recognition, saying the union no longer has a majority status and the union could face a vote to be decertified as the bargaining representative, Bronfenbrenner said.

“Under our labor law the power is in the employer’s hand unless the union organizes the community,” she said.

U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn., visited the Vernon Starbucks to show his support for the union.

“They are fighting basically for simple fairness, fair pay, fair hours,” he told a small gathering of workers.

“I really hope they do the right thing,” said Blumenthal, who is seeking a third term. “Bargain with your workers.”

Sweeney said unions need to continue organizing during negotiations as they did when they persuaded workers to join.

Glenney said workers are are “holding steady” as they wait for contract talks to begin.

“Our next move is to talk to other folks and see where the third store in Connecticut will be,” he said.

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Overdose

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to the criminal justice system, she said, and are even working with social workers and public defenders to include people who are released directly from court.

“The number one cause of death for people released from jail is overdose. It has been for some time,” Springer said.

They are working with two prisons, York Correctional Institution in the Niantic section of East Lyme, the state’s only women’s prison, and Brooklyn Correctional Institution; and two jails, Corrigan Correctional Center in Montville and Hartford Correctional Center.

Alliance for Living is providing community health workers and patient navigators in New London County, according to CEO Kelly Thompson.

She said the agency started as a service for people living with AIDS and expanded to testing for hepatitis C and syringe exchanges, partnering with New London and the Ledge Light Health District. The alliance’s peer navigators have “lived expe-

cated all of those issues, she said.

“They’re all kind of fueling this persistent harm to individuals,” she said.

Springer said the study is focused on determining the best way to deliver care to people. If a patient doesn’t show up for a doctor’s appointment, perhaps for lack of money for gas or food, “We have to say, Why aren’t we going to them?” she said.

“It’s a lot more complicated. It’s a lot more energy. It’s going to take getting out and helping people who can’t get to those services,” she said.

Sandra Violette, the Department of Correction’s liaison, said, “We’re hopeful that the links to care will improve. ... With ACTION, we’re able to connect people who have stimulant disorders. The continuity of care and the linking to care is often lacking.”

The \$11.5 million, five-year study is supported by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, part of the National Institutes of Health. There will be 432 subjects enrolled in both Connecticut and Texas who will be compensated for participating.

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Europe broils, burns in heat wave

Britain braces for record highs; Spain, France suffer fires

By Mark Landler
The New York Times

LONDON — Trains slowed to a crawl. Schools and doctors’ offices shut their doors. The British Museum closed off its upper galleries, then the entire museum. The government urged people to work from home.

The heat wave broiling England spilled northward from the European continent Monday where it has been fueling ferocious wildfires in Spain and France, which evacuated thousands of people and scrambled water-bombing planes and firefighters to battle flames in tinder-dry forests.

Two people were killed in the blazes in Spain that its prime minister linked to global warming, saying, “Climate change kills.”

That toll comes on top of the hundreds of heat-related deaths reported in the Iberian Peninsula, as high temperatures have gripped the continent in recent days and triggered wildfires from Portugal to the Balkans.

Some areas, including northern Italy, are also experiencing extended droughts. Climate change makes such life-threatening extremes less of a rarity, and heat waves have come to places like Britain, which braced for possible record-breaking temperatures.

Much of Britain took an involuntary siesta Monday as merciless heat scorched the country, driving temperatures close to triple digits Fahrenheit.

By midafternoon, Wales



A polar bear keeps cool Monday at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park in Doncaster, England. The park was closed Monday due to hot weather as record temperatures hit the UK, triggering Britain's first-ever extreme heat warning. **DANNY LAWSON/PA IMAGES**

had provisionally recorded the hottest day in its history, with the thermometer in Hawarden hitting 98.8 degrees Fahrenheit. The record for England of 101.7 degrees Fahrenheit was set in 2019, according to the Met Office, Britain's national weather service.

At 3 p.m., the mercury in Kew Gardens in London hovered just under 100 degrees Fahrenheit.

For Americans in states that regularly sizzle, those numbers might seem underwhelming, but this is happening in a country unprepared for such extremes, and is known for frequent showers, temper-

ate weather and few homes with air conditioning.

Some train services were canceled, while others were running at reduced speeds out of fear that the heat could cause tracks to buckle. Britain's Air Force said it had halted flights into and out of its largest base as a “preventative measure,” and flights into and out of London's Luton Airport were disrupted after the temperatures caused a “surface defect” on the runway.

The country is under a widespread “red” warning for heat issued by the government for the first time in history. Officials

urged people to use public transportation only if necessary and to work from home Monday and Tuesday — a plea reminiscent of the depths of the coronavirus pandemic.

Hospitals and nursing homes were a major cause of concern, officials said, with many older and other vulnerable patients in buildings without air conditioning. Officials urged schools, in their final week of classes before a break, not to close because it would leave children unsupervised in the heat — a directive that some education districts were ignoring.

At least four people were

reported to have drowned across the U.K. in rivers, lakes and reservoirs while trying to cool off.

In France, heat records were broken and swirling hot winds complicated firefighting in the country's southwest.

“The fire is literally exploding,” said Marc Vermeulen, the regional fire service chief who described tree trunks shattering as flames consumed them, sending burning embers into the air and further spreading the blazes.

“We’re facing extreme and exceptional circumstances,” he said. Authorities evacu-

ated more towns, moving another 14,900 people from areas that could find themselves in the path of the fires and smoke. In all, more than 31,000 people have been forced from their homes and summer vacation spots in the Gironde region since the wildfires began July 12.

Three additional planes were sent to join six others fighting the fires, scooping up seawater and making repeated runs through dense clouds of smoke, the Interior Ministry said Sunday night.

Spain reported a second fatality in two days in its own blazes. The body of a 69-year-old sheep farmer was found Monday in the same hilly area where a 62-year-old firefighter died a day earlier when he was trapped by flames in the Zamora province. More than 30 forest fires around Spain have forced the evacuation of thousands of people and blackened 85 square miles of forest and scrub.

Passengers on a train through Zamora got a frightening, close look at a blaze, when their train halted in the countryside. Video of the unscheduled and unnerving stop showed about a dozen passengers in a railcar becoming alarmed as they looked out of the windows at the flames encroaching on both sides of the track.

Climate scientists say heat waves are more intense, more frequent and longer because of climate change and coupled with droughts have made wildfires harder to fight. They say climate change will continue to make weather more extreme and wildfires more frequent and destructive.

Associated Press contributed.

WAR IN UKRAINE

Replacement of officials spotlights shadow war

Rivals seek to find disloyal elements within their ranks

By Matthew Mpoke Bigg, Valerie Hopkins and Marc Santora
The New York Times

The decision by President Volodymyr Zelenskyy of Ukraine to replace his head of domestic intelligence and another top official has cast a rare spotlight on the shadow war between Russia and Ukraine, two adversaries seeking to penetrate their rival's security networks and gain critical intelligence.

While artillery duels and missile strikes have been the hallmark of the war ravaging Ukraine and the armies of both sides, a clandestine battle is taking place to root out and neutralize anyone deemed to be collaborating with the enemy.

Zelenskyy alluded to the battle in a televised speech late Sunday. In announcing the dismissal of Ivan Bakanov, the leader of Ukraine's Security Service, and the removal of Iryna Venediktova, the prosecutor general, Zelenskyy noted that hundreds of treason investigations have been

opened into employees of law enforcement agencies.

The president did not suggest that either of the officials he dismissed was suspected of treason; both are considered allies of Zelenskyy, and Bakanov and the president are childhood friends and former business partners.

Venediktova won international praise for her drive to gather war-crimes evidence against Russian military commanders and officials, including Russian President Vladimir Putin, over the destruction of Ukrainian cities and the killing of civilians.

But other officials in Zelenskyy's government had blamed them for failing to effectively root out criminals working in the interests of Russia.

“Everyone has been waiting long enough for more concrete and, perhaps, radical results from the heads of these two bodies to cleanse these bodies of collaborators and state traitors,” a presidential aide, Andriy Smirnov, said on national television Monday morning in defending Zelenskyy's decision to replace them. Acting heads of the two agencies have been

appointed.

Ukraine had so far initiated 651 criminal proceedings against employees of law enforcement agencies, as well as the prosecutor's office and pretrial investigation bodies over “treason and collaboration activities,” he said.

“Such an array of crimes,” Zelenskyy said, “pose very serious questions to the relevant leadership.”

While Ukraine is largely united in its opposition to Russia's invasion, its deep cultural and historical ties with Russia have translated, in parts of the country, to pockets of support for Moscow.

This is true particularly in the south of Ukraine near the region of Crimea, which President Vladimir Putin annexed for Russia in 2014, and in parts of the east near the Russian border. Ukrainian officials have said those ties have translated into practical support for Russian forces since the invasion.

Zelenskyy on Sunday referred to “the transfer of secret information to the enemy, as well as other forms of cooperation with Moscow's special services,” saying that everyone “that



Relatives mourn Monday in a Kyiv cathedral during a funeral for a Ukrainian soldier codenamed Fanat who died in combat against Russian forces. **EFREM LUKATSKY/AP**

worked in the interests of the Russian Federation will also be held accountable.”

Since the war began, more than 800 people suspected of engaging in sabotage and reconnaissance for Russian have been detained and handed over to the Security Service of Ukraine, Yevhen Yenin, First Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs of Ukraine, said last month.

The Ukrainians recently foiled a Russian plot to target the leadership of the Ukrainian government, Yenin said, noting that there are now 123 countersabotage groups with a total of at

least 1,500 members operating as part of law enforcement agencies.

U.S. officials said Sunday that they have been working with Kyiv for years to improve its operational security and find Russian moles in the intelligence services.

Meanwhile, Russia pressed forward with its missile and shelling attacks, which Ukrainian officials said were designed to intimidate the civilian population and create panic. Ukraine's presidential office said seven Ukrainian regions had suffered from attacks in the

previous 24 hours.

Ukraine's Emergency Service said at least six people were killed by Russian shelling Monday targeting the city of Toretsk in the Donetsk region of eastern Ukraine.

Ukraine's first lady, Olena Zelenska, met with Secretary of State Antony Blinken on Monday as she began a series of high-profile appearances in Washington that will include a session with U.S. counterpart Jill Biden.

Associated Press contributed.



Dr. Fauci has no specific retirement date in mind. **ERIN SCOTT/POOL VIA GETTY**

Fauci expects to retire by end of Biden's current term

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Dr. Anthony Fauci, the government's top infectious disease expert, said Monday he plans to retire by the end of President Joe Biden's term in January 2025.

Fauci, 81, was appointed director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in 1984, and has led research in HIV/AIDS, respiratory infections, Ebola, Zika and the coronavirus.

He has advised seven presidents and is Biden's chief medical adviser.

In an interview with Politico, Fauci said he hoped to “leave behind an institution where I have picked the best people in the country, if not the world, who will continue my vision.”

Asked Monday on CNN when he planned to retire, Fauci said he does not have a specific retirement date in mind and has not started the process.

He said he expects to leave

the government before the end of Biden's current term, which will end in January 2025.

“By the time we get to the end of Biden's first term, I will very likely (retire),” Fauci said.

He added: “it is extremely unlikely — in fact, for sure — that I am not going to be here beyond January 2025.”

Fauci, long a prominent figure of the government's response to infectious disease, was thrust even more into the spotlight at

the height of the coronavirus pandemic under then-President Donald Trump.

As the pandemic response became politicized, with Trump suggesting the pandemic would “fade away,” promoting unproven treatment methods and vilifying scientists who countered him, Fauci was forced to get security protection when he and his family received death threats and harassment.

Fauci testified repeatedly to Congress about the virus,

and he and some Republicans, including Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky, engaged in heated exchanges over the origins of the virus.

Fauci said Monday his decision to eventually leave his role was unrelated to politics.

“It has nothing to do with pressures, nothing to do with all of the other nonsense that you hear about, all the barbs, the slings and the arrows,” he said.

“That has no influence on me,” Fauci said.

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Children live, play near front lines

Parents in eastern Ukraine say no part of the country is safe

By Cara Anna
Associated Press

KRAMATORSK, Ukraine — The children flicker like ghosts on the empty playgrounds in weedy court- yards deep in a city whose residents have been told to get out now.

Six-year-old Tania has no more playmates left on her street in the eastern Ukraine city of Kramatorsk. She sits on a bench only steps away from the city’s train station that was attacked by Russia in April, killing more than 50 people who had gathered there to evacuate. The remnants of a rocket from that attack bore an inscription in Russian: “For the children.”

Tania and her parents aren’t afraid to stay. In the shade near the now-closed station, they enjoy whatever quiet remains between the booms of outgoing artillery trying to keep out Russian forces.

“The bombs land all over the country. It’s doesn’t make sense to escape,” said Tania’s father, Oleksandr Rokytyanskyi.

Chatting to herself while settling in with a lavish box of colored markers, Tania added, “Bang, bang!”

It’s not unusual for older residents of eastern Ukraine to refuse to heed calls to evacuate to safer places elsewhere in the country. What’s jarring, however, is to see children — even a baby stroller — near the front line. It is unknown how many remain as the Russians press their offensive in the region.

Children cannot escape the war, even in cities considered safe. Tania’s parents spoke on the day a Russian missile struck Vinnytsia, far from the front in central Ukraine, killing 23 people including three children — a 4-year-old girl



Ukrainian children still living in Kramatorsk in embattled eastern Ukraine play on a merry-go-round Thursday as air raid sirens wail. **NARIMAN EL-MOFTY/AP**

named Liza Dmytrieva and two boys ages 7 and 8.

Children who remain close to the fighting have their fates tied to that of their parents, and the dangers can be unexpected.

Outside a hospital, 18-year-old Sasha sits smoking with a 15-year-old friend. Sasha’s right arm is bandaged, and he peers at the world from blackened eyes. He has scrapes all over after being struck while crossing the street by one of the military vehicles rumbling through the region.

The Ukrainian soldiers helped find him an ambulance, he said, his speech impaired by his injuries.

Sasha doesn’t know why he’s still living here. His mother decided the family

wouldn’t leave. Like some in eastern Ukraine, he didn’t share his last name out of concern for his security.

“I’d rather stay because I have friends here,” he said, but if he had small children, he would take them out.

In the four-bed hospital room Sasha shares with other patients, an older man named Volodymyr has his right hand thickly bandaged. He said he was in his garden in a village near Bakhmut when cluster bombs exploded.

His family, including his 15-year-old child, plans to stay.

But “the small ones need to be evacuated,” Volodymyr said. “The small ones, they haven’t seen much in life.”

Maksym, a wounded

soldier recuperating from a concussion suffered during shelling, agreed.

For the first time since Russia’s Feb. 24 invasion, he has left the forest trenches and is able to speak by phone with his teenage daughter, who is safe in the southern city of Zaporizhzhia, several hours’ drive away.

This is also Maksym’s first chance to see what passes for normal life in Ukraine in almost six months, and he is surprised to see children still so close to the fighting.

“They’re kids,” he said, with the same gruffness he uses to call the entire war “nonsense.”

Dr. Vitalii Malanchuk said a “quite high” number of children are patients at the hospital. He finds it uncom-

fortable that some people who should be evacuating see his presence as a reassuring reason to stay.

As the latest air raid siren wails at a Kramatorsk playground and artillery booms, a girl in pigtails squeals and runs from the determined chase of a little boy. A small merry-go-round spins.

Dmytro and Karyna Ponomarenko wait for their daughter, nearly 5-year-old Anhelina, along with her pink bike with training wheels.

There are no safe places, they said, and Kramatorsk is home. They feel it’s hard to leave and expensive to start anew elsewhere. Some residents who left are now returning, they said, preferring to take their chances.

They will stay as long as they can, even as the Russians inch closer.

“She is used to the sirens, but the explosions still bother her,” Dmtryo said of Anhelina. They tell her it’s thunder, but somehow she has learned to fear the planes, even Ukrainian ones.

There are fewer children to play with day by day, but Anhelina entertains herself, her father said.

“Hyperactive,” he added with a weary fondness.

With evening coming, the family leaves, walking by a tank-shaped monument that’s now outnumbered by real ones on the streets.

Shadows edge across the cracked concrete square. The air raid siren is still going.

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Military can't find enough recruits

Several factors have few able and fewer willing to sign up

By Dave Philipps
The New York Times

FOUNTAIN, Colo. — The local Army recruiting station was empty. The normally reliable recruiting grounds at the nearby Walmart were a bust. With the Army still thousands of soldiers short of its recruiting goal, the station commander, Sgt. 1st Class James Pulliam, dressed head to toe in camouflage, scanned a strip mall parking lot for targets. He spotted a young woman getting out of a car and put on his best salesman smile. “Hey, how’d you know I was going to be here today!” the sergeant said with an affable Carolina drawl, as if greeting an old friend. “I’m going to help put you in the Army!”

These are tough times for military recruiting. Almost across the board, the armed forces are experiencing large shortfalls in enlistments this year — a deficit of thousands of entry-level troops that is on pace to be worse than any since just after the Vietnam War. It threatens to throw a wrench into the military’s machinery, leaving critical jobs unfilled and some platoons with too few people to function.

COVID-19 is part of the problem. Lockdowns during the pandemic have limited recruiters’ ability to forge bonds face to face with prospects. And the military’s vaccine mandate has kept some would-be troops away.

The white-hot labor market, with many more jobs available than people to fill them, is also a factor, as rising civilian wages and benefits make military service less enticing.

But longer-term demographic trends are also taking a toll. Less than one-quarter of young American adults are physically fit



Sandwich shop workers Juniper Cristan, second from left, and Melody Orman talk to army recruiters July 6 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. All branches of the armed forces are facing many factors limiting recruiting. **MICHAEL CIAGLO/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

to enlist and have no disqualifying criminal record, a proportion that has shrunk steadily in recent years. And shifting attitudes toward military service mean that now only about 1 in 10 young people say they would even consider it.

To try to counter those forces, the military has pushed enlistment bonuses as high as \$50,000 and is offering “quick ship” cash of up to \$10,000 for certain recruits who can leave for basic training in 30 days. To broaden the recruiting pool, the service branches have loosened their restrictions on neck tattoos and other standards. In June, the Army even briefly dropped its requirement for a high school diploma, before deciding that was a bad move and rescinding the change.

The Army is the largest of the armed forces, and the recruiting shortfall is hitting it the hardest. As of late June,

it had recruited only about 40% of the roughly 57,000 new soldiers it wants to put in boots by Sept. 30, the end of the fiscal year.

So Pulliam, 41, a helicopter mechanic who turned to recruiting five years ago, was hunting for anyone who might want to join, even if they did not know it yet.

Like many soldiers who make recruiting their career, he believed in what he was selling because he knew what Army service had done for him. Before he enlisted in 2012, he was a 31-year-old warehouse worker in North Carolina, working extra shifts to support his three children. A year later, he was working on AH-64 Apaches, with his housing and education paid for by the Army.

“It changed my entire life,” he said. “And that’s the gift I have to give to other people. You just have to find the people that need it.” He chuckled and added, “That ain’t always easy.”

The young woman in the strip mall parking lot was on her way to get a pizza and looked confused when the tall man in green began pitching her on the benefits of serving her country. She eventually apologized politely and said she could not join up, gesturing to an insulin pump clipped to her shorts.

The sergeant made a mental note: diabetic, not fit to serve. But he did not give up.

“OK, well, just give me a name — one number I can call, right now,” he pressed. “You’ve got to know someone who might want to join. One number, and I’ll leave you alone.”

Seconds later, he was on the phone with one of the woman’s friends. “She says you want to join the Army,” the sergeant said, as if he were announcing the winning Powerball numbers. “Where you work? I can meet you when you get

done.”

The sergeant paused, turned and said, “Dude just hung up on me!”

The other branches are not having any easier of a time. The Navy and Marine Corps do not release recruiting figures before the end of the fiscal year, a spokesperson said, but both have acknowledged that it will be hard for them to meet quotas this year.

Even the Air Force, which has rarely had trouble attracting talent in the past, is about 4,000 recruits short of the level it typically reaches by midsummer.

“Bottom line, up front, we are in a week-to-week dogfight,” said Maj. Gen. Edward Thomas, commander of the Air Force Recruiting Service. “We are growing hopeful that we may be able to barely make this year’s mission, but it’s uncertain.”

Thomas said the short-term problem of COVID-19

kept recruiters away from county fairs, street festivals and their most productive hunting grounds, high schools. The relationships that recruiters were not able to cultivate face to face during the pandemic’s early stages, he said, mean there is now a drought of graduates signing on the dotted line.

A modest recruiting bump from snappy ads the service ran before screenings of “Top Gun: Maverick” helped a bit, he said. But the general pointed to larger, longer-term concerns about the shrinking pool of young Americans who are both able and willing to serve. In recent years, the Pentagon has found that about 76% of adults ages 17-24 are either too obese to qualify or have other medical issues or criminal histories that would make them ineligible to serve without a waiver.

And what the military calls propensity — the share of young adults who would consider serving — has fallen steadily for several years. It stood at 13% before the pandemic began, Thomas said, but is now 9%.

“There are just lower levels of trust with the U.S. government and the military,” he said.

Of course, maintaining one of the world’s largest militaries entirely with volunteers has never been easy, and this is not the first time in the 49 years since the United States ended the draft that recruitment has fallen short.

When civilian jobs are plentiful, as they are now, the military tries to compete using two tactics: sweetening the deal with signing bonuses, better pay and other enticements, and lowering standards a bit to enlist people who might not otherwise qualify.

The military has also adapted by downsizing. The number of active-duty service members is now about half of what it was in the 1980s and is projected to keep decreasing.



Greenwood police Chief James Ison speaks Monday in Greenwood, Ind. He said police are still trying to find a motive for a deadly rifle attack Sunday at a local mall. **MICHAEL CONROY/AP**

Police laud armed man who killed Indiana mall gunman

By Arleigh Rodgers
and Rick Callahan
Associated Press

GREENWOOD, Ind. — A gunman who shot five people at a suburban Indianapolis shopping mall, killing three of them before a shopper shot and killed him, was a 20-year-old local man who was apparently facing eviction, authorities said Monday.

Jonathan Sapirman, of Greenwood, began firing after leaving a bathroom at the Greenwood Park Mall shortly before it closed Sunday evening, the city’s police chief, James Ison, said at a news conference.

Sapirman continued shooting people until he was shot and killed by 22-year-old Elisjsha Dicken, of Seymour, a city about 45 miles south of Greenwood, who was shopping with his girlfriend, Ison said.

“Many more people would have died last night if not for a responsible armed citizen,” said the chief, noting that authorities were still trying to determine a motive for the attack.

The Johnson County and Marion County coroners’

offices identified the slain victims as a married Indianapolis couple — Pedro Pineda, 56, and Rosa Mirian Rivera de Pineda, 37 — and Victor Gomez, 30, also of Indianapolis. A woman and a 12-year-old girl who was hit by shrapnel were wounded in the attack, police said.

Although authorities said Dicken was legally armed, the mall prohibits people from carrying weapons on its property.

As of July 1, Indiana law allows anyone age 18 or older to carry a handgun in public except for those prohibited for reasons such as having a felony conviction, facing a restraining order or having a dangerous mental illness as determined by a court.

Indiana’s Republican-dominated Legislature retained provisions in the law that allow private property owners to prohibit firearms.

The attack Sunday was the latest in a string of mass shootings in U.S.

Schools, churches, grocery stores and a Fourth of July parade near Chicago have all become killing

grounds in recent months.

Ison said that after Sapirman entered the mall, he walked into a bathroom where he spent about an hour before he emerged and opened fire. He said investigators believe Sapirman spent that time preparing and possibly assembling a disassembled rifle that he had brought in his backpack. He ended up firing 24 rounds within two minutes.

Ison said Sapirman used one rifle in the shooting, but in the mall bathroom investigators recovered a second rifle and a pistol.

Although police don’t know a motive for the attack, Sapirman’s relatives told investigators that he recently received notice that he was being evicted from his apartment, though Ison said authorities were still trying to confirm that was the case. Relatives also said Sapirman resigned from a warehouse job in May, he said.

Sapirman had a juvenile record, including for a fight at school and an incident where he ran away from home, but he had no criminal record as an adult, Ison said.

Jury selection begins in trial of ex-Trump adviser Bannon

By Gary Fields
and Ashraf Khalil
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jury selection began Monday in the trial of Steve Bannon, a one-time top adviser to former President Donald Trump. He is facing criminal contempt of Congress charges after refusing for months to cooperate with the House committee investigating the Jan. 6, 2021, Capitol insurrection.

Bannon is charged in Washington’s federal court with defying a subpoena from the Jan. 6 committee that sought his records and testimony. He was indicted in November on two counts of criminal contempt of Congress, one month after the Justice Department received a congressional referral. Each count carries a minimum of 30 days in jail and as long as a year behind bars.

By early afternoon, eight jurors had been seated in a slow-moving process known as voir dire. Much of the questioning of potential jurors by Bannon’s lawyer, Evan Corcoran, centered on how much of the Jan. 6 hearings they’ve watched and whether they have opinions about the committee and its work.

In one case, a prospective juror flatly told U.S. District Judge Carl Nichols that remaining impartial would be “a challenge” for him since, “I do believe (Bannon) is guilty.”

That admission, in addition to disqualifying the potential juror, prompted questioning of others who had sat next to the man to determine how widely he had shared his opinion.

The trial follows a flurry of activity in the case since July 9. Over a week ago, the former White House strategist notified the committee that he is now willing to testify. His former lawyer, Robert Costello, said the



David Riddell of the 1776 Restoration Movement, which wants a “constitutional republic,” speaks Monday near federal court, site of the Steve Bannon trial. **GEMUNU AMARASINGHE/AP**

change was because Trump had waived his executive privilege claim from preventing the testimony.

Bannon, 68, had been one of the most prominent Trump-allied holdouts refusing to testify. He had argued that his testimony was protected by Trump’s claim of executive privilege, which allows presidents to withhold confidential information from the courts and the legislative branch.

Trump has repeatedly asserted executive privilege — even though he’s a former, not current president — to try to block witness testimony and the release of White House documents. The Supreme Court in January ruled against Trump’s efforts to stop the National Archives from cooperating with the committee after a lower court judge — Ketanji Brown Jackson, now on the Supreme Court — noted, “Presidents are not kings.”

The committee has also noted that Trump fired Bannon from the White House in 2017 and Bannon was thus a private citizen when he was consulting with the president in the

run-up to the riot.

Judge Nichols declined motions to delay the contempt trial in separate hearings last week, including Thursday when Bannon’s lawyers raised concerns about a CNN report that has since aired about their client and what they said were prejudicial comments made during a hearing last week held by the House committee.

“I am cognizant of current concerns about publicity and bias and whether we can seat a jury that is going to be appropriate and fair, but as I said before, I believe the appropriate course is to go through the voir dire process,” Nichols said Thursday. The judge said he intended to get a jury that “is going to be appropriate, fair and unbiased.”

While the judge allowed the trial to move forward, Nichols left open the possibility that the letters about Trump waiving his privilege and Bannon’s offer to cooperate could be referenced at trial, saying the information was “at least potentially relevant” to Bannon’s defense.

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NEWS BRIEFING

Texas state police launch internal review of Uvalde response

From news services

UVALDE, Texas — Two months after the Uvalde school massacre, Texas state police on Monday announced an internal review into the actions of dozens of troopers who were at Robb Elementary during 73 minutes of bewildering inaction by law enforcement as a gunman slaughtered 19 children and two teachers.

The announcement appeared to widen the fallout of a damning 80-page report released over the weekend by the Texas House that revealed failures at all levels of law enforcement and identified 91 state troopers at the scene — more than all Uvalde officers combined.

It also amounted to a public shift by the Texas Department of Public Safety, which until now has largely criticized local authorities for failing to confront the gunman sooner.

The report made public Sunday laid bare for the first time just how massive a presence state police and U.S. Border Patrol had on the scene during one of the worst school shootings in U.S. history.

“You got 91 troopers on the scene. You got all the equipment you could possibly want, and you’re listening to the local school cop?” said state Sen. Roland Gutierrez, a Democrat whose district includes Uvalde and who has accused DPS of seeking to minimize its role in the response.

The findings that Border Patrol agents and state troopers made up more than half of the 376 law enforcement officials who rushed to the South Texas school on May 24 spread the responsibility for a slow and bungled response far wider than previous accounts that

emphasized mistakes by Uvalde officers.

The report made clear that “egregiously poor decision making” by authorities went beyond local law enforcement in Uvalde, who were eventually outnumbered more than 5-to-1 by state and federal officers at the scene. Other local police from the area around Uvalde also responded to the shooting.

The report puts a new spotlight on the roles of state and federal agencies whose leaders, unlike local authorities, haven’t had to sit through meetings where they were confronted by the furious parents of the dead children.

Buffalo shooting: The white gunman charged with killing 10 Black people in a racist mass shooting at a Buffalo supermarket pleaded not guilty Monday to federal hate crime charges that could be punishable by the death penalty.

The shooter was indicted last week on hate crimes and weapons counts. The plea was entered in court by his attorney, who said she hoped to resolve the case before trial. Wearing an orange jumpsuit and shackles, Payton Gendron was silent during the brief arraignment.

The 27-count federal indictment contains special findings, including that the attacker engaged in substantial planning to commit an act of terrorism and took aim at vulnerable older people — specifically 86-year-old Ruth Whitfield, 77-year-old Pearl Young, 72-year-old Katherine Massey, 67-year-old Heyward Patterson and 65-year-old Celestine Chaney.

Attorney General Merrick Garland, who halted federal executions last year, has not ruled out seeking the death



Malaysia customs officers display some of the 13,200 pounds of seized elephant tusks during a news conference Monday at the Customs Complex in Port Klang in Selangor, west of the capital, Kuala Lumpur, following an operation that recovered the ivory and other animal body parts, estimated to be worth \$18 million, from a ship on July 10. ARIF KARTONO/GETTY-AFP

penalty against the gunman, who turned 19 in June.

Abortion fight: Court battles prompted by the Supreme Court’s June 24 ruling reversing abortion rights played out in multiple states Monday, with a judge in West Virginia blocking that state’s 150-year-old abortion ban and one in Louisiana leaving an order against enforcement of that state’s ban in place, for now.

In another Monday development, the Supreme Court issued an order that put Indiana a step closer to being able to enforce a parental notification law involving girls who get abortions before they turn 18.

In West Virginia, Kanawha County Circuit Court Judge Tera Salango granted the Women’s Health Center of West Virginia a preliminary injunction against the 1800s-era ban, saying that in the absence of action by the court, the clinic and its patients, “especially those who are impregnated

as a result of a rape or incest, are suffering irreparable harm.”

Attorney General Patrick Morrisey decried the ruling, calling it “a dark day for West Virginia.” He said his office will appeal the decision to the state Supreme Court.

Georgia investigation: Republican U.S. Rep. Jody Hice of Georgia is fighting a subpoena seeking to have him testify before a special grand jury that is investigating whether former President Donald Trump and others illegally tried to interfere in the 2020 election in the state.

The subpoena, which Hice received on June 29, orders him to appear before the special grand jury in Atlanta on Tuesday, his lawyer said in a court filing. Hice on Monday filed a motion to quash the subpoena in federal court in Atlanta.

Any discussions Hice had as he investigated “alleged

irregularities” in the election were within his authority as a member of Congress and are shielded by the U.S. Constitution from any legal proceedings and inquiry, his lawyer wrote in the filing.

Hice is challenging the subpoena in federal court rather than before the Fulton County Superior Court judge who’s overseeing the special grand jury.

Sri Lanka emergency: Sri Lanka’s acting president on Monday declared a state of emergency that gives him broad authority amid growing protests demanding his resignation — just two days before the country’s lawmakers are set to elect a new president.

Ranil Wickremesinghe became acting president on Friday after his predecessor, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, fled abroad and resigned after monthslong mass protests over the country’s economic collapse.

Wickremesinghe’s imposition of the state of emer-

gency came as protests demanding his resignation continued in most parts of the country, with some demonstrators burning him in effigy.

The emergency decree invokes sections of the Public Security Ordinance that allow Wickremesinghe to make regulations in the interest of public security and order.

Wickremesinghe can also change or suspend any law during the state of emergency.

Hiking accident: Interior Secretary Deb Haaland is recovering after breaking her leg Sunday during a hike in Virginia’s Shenandoah National Park, the Interior Department says.

Doctors confirmed Monday that Haaland broke her left fibula in the accident, Interior said in a statement.

Haaland was expected to return to work virtually later Monday, an agency spokeswoman said.

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West Hartford asks judge to dismiss mascot suit

Board of Education, fellow defendants pushed for mascot changes for Conard, Hall high schools

By Ted Glanzer
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — The West Hartford Board of Education and its fellow defendants are asking a Superior Court judge to dismiss the lawsuit filed against them by two residents who are seeking to prevent the school district from changing the mascots of the town's two public high schools.

In papers filed Friday, the school board, the school district, now-former Superintendent of Schools Tom Moore and Superintendent of Administration Andrew Morrow (who is now interim superintendent of schools), through their attorney James Healy, argue that plaintiffs Scott Zweig and

Mary McGowen lack standing to file the lawsuit and that the ultimate decision to change the mascots rests with the school board, not the courts.

“This is a lawsuit that should have never been filed,” West Hartford corporation counsel Dallas Dodge said in a statement. “Litigation is not an appropriate way to resolve what is fundamentally a political disagreement, and we look forward to fully briefing and arguing this issue.”

The school board in February voted to retire the mascots at Hall and Conard — the Warriors and Chieftains, respectively — at the end of the school year. In early June, the school board voted to adopt new mascots, the Conard Red Wolves and the Hall Titans.

For years, the mascots had come under scrutiny over whether they were culturally insensitive. In 2015, the school district scrapped the high schools’ logos that included Native American imagery, though the Warriors and Chieftains names were allowed to continue until the vote in February.

Prior to the school board’s June meeting, Zweig and McGowan filed a lawsuit as a last-ditch effort to prevent the school district from adopting the new mascots.

Zweig and McGowan claimed, among other things, that the defendants violated “policy, law and due process” when the school board voted to end the use of the mascots.

A Superior Court judge denied the plaintiffs’ motion, instead scheduling a preliminary hearing for July 7. At the hearing, Judge James Graham ordered a briefing schedule for the motion to dismiss, which Healy said would be filed by the end of last week.

In supporting documents filed Friday, the school board argues that the alleged harm to Zweig and McGowan is too vague for a court to intervene.

“The plaintiffs do not claim any injury to their property or themselves that is in any way specific or personal,” the school district says in court papers. “To the contrary, they go to great lengths to explain that their theory

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Developer eyes Canton woodland as site for 30 apartments

By Don Stacom
Hartford Courant

A developer is proposing 30 apartments a little east of where Route 44 and Route 202 merge in Canton.

Hartford-based L. Jackson Construction and its architect, Robert Schechinger of Farmington, on Wednesday will present their case to build on what’s currently a wooded lot.

The developer proposes two three-story buildings on about an acre and a half at 401 Albany Turnpike. In all, the three floors would have a total of just under 40,000 square feet of living space, according to plans filed with the planning and zoning commission.

Commissioners will hear the developer’s presentation as well as public comment at a hearing Wednesday at 7 p.m. at town hall. The meeting is hybrid; details for joining remotely are on the agenda at tinyurl.com/4wnz7ptk.

The plan is for 30 two-bedroom units with 19 garage parking spaces and another 34 outdoor spaces.

The land has been owned since 2013 by Arthur Godbout Jr.’s Canton Commercial Properties LLC.

Godbout in 2004 got zoning approval to build about 10,000 square feet of office space there, and said that office, medical and retail businesses had shown interest. But that plan never went forward.

Last year, First Selectman Robert Bessel told residents in a message that new apartment housing is important to keeping a population balance in Canton. He wrote that a 93-apartment plan for 3-5 Cherry Brook Road would help stem the loss of young people.

“It will add 93 apartments intended for singles and couples — a younger demographic than the average town resident,” Bessel wrote at the time. “Many of the young people who leave Canton cite the

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Would you ride a free bus? Here’s what Connecticut residents are doing

By Tom Condon
CT Mirror

Daisy Rodriguez of Hartford takes the bus across town for her jobs — full-time on weekdays, part-time on weekends — as a patient care assistant. She was paying \$63 for a 31-day bus pass.

But the state’s fare-free bus program, which began on April 1, has been a godsend. She said the money she saves can go towards the higher costs of groceries and other necessities.

She noted that before the program began, “Sometimes you don’t have the money for the bus fare, and you have to walk.”

It’s hard to find a bus rider who doesn’t share her good opinion of the program.

“There’s no question customers are really enjoying it, and benefitting from it,” said Doug Holcomb, general manager of the Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority, which operates bus and related services in the Bridgeport region. “They’re getting a break when inflation is causing other prices to rise.”

The numbers indicate the fare-free program has drawn more riders to the buses. Unlike rail ridership, which dropped by more than 90% in the depth of the pandemic, bus ridership only dropped by about 50%, said Josh Rickman, assis-

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At G-Monkey Plant-Fueled Fast Food, house-made buns are branded with the restaurant’s monkey logo. G-MONKEY PLANT-FUELED FAST FOOD

Good news, G-Zen fans

You can now find your favorite vegan food at G-Monkey in West Hartford

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

When Branford’s G-Zen gourmet plant-based restaurant closed in April, area vegans and flexitarians grieved. Where would they go for ttheir black bean-based Zen burgers, their Reubens made of marinated tempeh or the chili-cheese fries with sweet potato and coconut-based “Not Yo Cheese”?

Now they have their answer. G-Monkey Plant-Fueled Fast Food opened June 30 at 625 New Park Ave. in West Hartford. Co-owner Ami Beach said the new restaurant is an “evolution” from G-Zen to a more concentrated menu, a focus on takeout and a quick-service model.

However, Beach said, G-Monkey is flipping the script on the fast-food paradigm in the service of the freshest food possible.

“When you think of fast food you think of styrofoam packaging, everything pre-made and sitting under a heat lamp, a lot of processed ingredients, all the free ketchup you want, everything fast and put in a bag together,” Beach said.

“We do things in a quick manner but everything is made to order in-house daily from scratch. We even make the ketchup from scratch. We are trying to turn people over in 15 minutes, but really it’s anywhere from 10 minutes to a half hour. What we do is labor-intensive. Good things come to those who wait,” she said.

The menu includes items from G-Zen, whittled down to the most popular and most adaptable to the takeout model. Many items are gluten-free. All meat-like ingredients are made in

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Donald Moody, 44 and Joyce Bellamy, 50, who never stopped loving each other although he was in prison for 27 years, attended a recent wedding. Moody was released on parole 16 years before his 40-year sentence on murder ended. PROVIDED PHOTO

Couple’s love continues on road to redemption

By Pam McLoughlin
Hartford Courant

Joyce Bellamy and her fiancé Donald Moody first fell in love 27 years ago, but their romance was cut short when she went to prison for selling drugs and he for murder.

Now, with their criminal pasts behind them, each is seizing a rare second chance to become their best selves together.

Bellamy, who served three years in prison decades ago, is the longtime owner of Best Choice Homecare in Hamden, a DNA genetics lab and several other companies in which she has partnered with others. She employs 90-100 people at any one time.

“My way of giving back is to help others in the community recognize their self-worth,” she said. “I am destined to be the best version of me. I chose to change my life and realize my past doesn’t dictate my future.”

Moody was released in April from prison where he was serving 40 years for murder. He was released 16 years early as a result of a new law because he had committed the crime as a juvenile. The victim’s family supported the parole.

Moody, 44, has started a business transporting packages. He said he “grew up” in prison and changed his ways after a few

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Police say shots fired, car crashed in Hamden

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

Police are investigating reports of shots fired and a car crash Sunday in Hamden.

The Hamden Police Department responded to reports of shots fired and a single-vehicle crash in the area of Blue Hills Avenue and Noble Court about 6:30 p.m. Witnesses told police there was an exchange of gunfire between a pedestrian and an occupant of a car, which crashed into a stone wall of a residential building.

One of the suspects in the shooting fled the scene toward Chester Street in a small blue SUV, police said.

There were no reported injuries in the shooting, but two houses were struck by gunfire, police said.

Detectives from the Major Crimes Unit and Crime Scene Unit responded to the scene. Ballistic evidence was recovered and police are following “several leads,” they said.

Any witnesses or neighbors that have video surveillance or information about the incident are asked to contact Hamden Detective Mark Sheppard at 203-230-4047. Callers may remain anonymous.

Watertown police seek ID of involved in bank robbery

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

Police are looking to identify a man suspected of being involved in a bank robbery at a People's United Bank in Watertown on Friday night.

Police said the man was involved in a robbery at a bank branch inside of a Stop & Shop in Watertown around 6:39 p.m. A weapon was not used, according to police.

The suspect was described as a white male, medium build, wearing a baseball hat, sunglasses, a blue surgical mask, a gray long-sleeve T-shirt with the number 77 on the front and blue jeans.

The man is believed to have walked up the driveway of Stop & Shop and left the building on foot. It is unknown if he parked or was picked up by a vehicle on Straits Turnpike, police said.

Anyone with information about the suspect is asked to call the Watertown police at 860-945-5200 or Crimestoppers at 860-945-9940 for an anonymous cash reward.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Stories in the July 1 and July 5 editions of the Courant did not give complete information about Renata Kozak and her position at Connecticut Valley Hospital, Whiting psychiatric hospital. A probe found no wrongdoing on the part of Kozak.



East Hartford man charged in connection with home invasion in South Windsor

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

Police charged a 23-year-old East Hartford man in connection to a home invasion early Saturday morning in South Windsor.

Police were called to Woodland Drive before 4 a.m. Saturday on reports of a suspicious vehicle. Officers contacted the driver, who said he was there to drop off some friends to see residents on Woodland

Drive.

After speaking with the residents, it was determined that three men armed with a pistol and a long gun had entered the home and assaulted a resident, police said. The three men took a gold bracelet and a shotgun before fleeing on foot, police said. They were caught nearby and taken into custody. A handgun and a shotgun, along with other evidence, were located close to the home.

The driver, identified as Omari Lewis of East Hartford, was arrested and charged with conspiracy to commit home invasion, first-degree conspiracy to commit robbery and third-degree conspiracy to commit assault, police said.

Lewis was released on a \$50,000 bond and is scheduled to appear in Manchester court on Aug. 3.

Police said this was a targeted incident with no threat to public safety.

Man killed in head-on collision in Wolcott

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

A man in his 70s was killed in a head-on collision in Wolcott early Monday morning, police said.

The Wolcott Police Department said the man was traveling north on Woodtick Road about 5:45 a.m. when he crossed into the south-bound lane and struck a car. The man was transported to the hospi-

tal with critical injuries and later died, according to police.

The victim in the other car sustained non-life-threatening injuries and was also transported to the hospital, police said.

Police said they were not identifying any of the victims at this time. The crash is being investigated by officers from the Naugatuck Valley Crash Investigation Team, police said.

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house. “No Impossible, no Beyond,” Beach said.

The burgers are the popular Zen (\$12) with “Nay-yo” mayonnaise-like dressing, the Epic Cheeseburger (\$14) with that “Not Yo Cheese,” the Colossal Smoked Bacon Cheeseburger (\$16) with the coconut bacon and The Brava Burger (\$17) with pineapple and sriracha Nay-yo.

Handhelds include the Veganlicious Grilled Cheese (\$15), a second grilled cheese with kimchi (\$17), the Downward Dog Bean Burrito (\$14), that tempeh Reuben (\$15), avocado toast (\$16) and romaine-walnut pate tacos (\$16).

Bowls are Naked Burger Bowl with a Zen patty (\$16), Colossal Burger Bowl (\$17), Buddha Bowl with cashew-based “Parmesan” dust (\$16), Pure Radiance Bowl with dates and raisins (\$16), the Feisty Monkey Bowl (\$14) with pasta and peanut-cilantro sauce” and the tuna-tasting Chickpea of the Sea Poke Bowl (\$17) with kimchi, pumpkin seeds and brown rice.

The popular G-Fries made with hand-cut sweet potatoes are served with house-made hickory-smoked ketchup and come in regular (\$7 to \$10), chili-cheese (\$14), disco with Not Yo Cheese and vegetable gravy (\$14) and cinnamon-maple for \$12.

Soups are \$8 and salads range from \$10 to \$15. Desserts range from \$7 for truffles to \$12 for lemon-lavender cheesecake. Kids’ meals are \$7 to \$8. Drinks range from \$3 for tea to \$12 for herb-and-fruit elixirs.

All of the utensils and dishes are compostable, made with vegetable fibers. “It may look like just a cup, but in three weeks, it will go back to the earth,” Beach said.

G-Monkey had a challenging soft opening over the July 4 holiday weekend. That was due to the novel concept, which was unfamiliar to



G-Monkey Plant-Fueled Fast Food is at 625 New Park Ave. in West Hartford. **SUSAN DUNNE/HARTFORD COURANT**

many diners: fast food that wasn’t as fast as they expected it to be. It also was due to the huge crowd that showed up to greet Beach and her husband and co-owner Mark Shadle.

“People came from all over, Rhode Island, New York City, to come to G-Zen. They’re coming here, too. We’re hitting a new market as well as the people geeking out on vegan food,” Beach said. “We thought we could sneak in here quietly, but it was insanity, every seat was taken. It was like a concert.”

Shadle is the chef at G-Monkey, as well as the G-Monkey food truck that has made the rounds of the Hartford area since 2009 and still goes out on Sundays. He got his start as the original owner of It’s Only Natural in Middletown.

Since then, Shadle has made his mark on a nationwide scale, with medals in the Culinary Olympics, an invitation from Michelle Obama to cook at the White House and a

nomination of Chef of the Year by the Connecticut Restaurant Association.

His history is illustrated with a wall of rolling pins in the store.

“They signify all his cooking over the years, from his grandmother, to his mother, to him. He hand-rolls buns every day,” Beach said, showing off a bun branded with the restaurant’s cute monkey logo.

The wall next to the rolling pins soon will be decorated in honor of Culebra, Puerto Rico, where the couple also has a home.

Beach, who grew up in West Hartford, is an herbalist and nutritionist, who formerly worked as a colon hydrotherapist and a seller of holistic health and body products. Setting up shop in West Hartford was a return home for her. “I wanted to come back,” she said.

The produce used to make the foods come from many local organic farms, including Shadle and Beach’s own Shadle Solar Farm in Durham.

Meriden man charged with kidnapping, assault of girl in South Windsor

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

A Meriden man was arrested on kidnapping charges Sunday after he trapped a girl in his truck and wouldn’t allow her to leave, South Windsor police said.

Police responded to the area of Burnham Road and John Fitch Boulevard about 5:30 a.m. Sunday after receiving a call from the victim stating she was trapped inside a pickup truck. The victim, identified as a juvenile, was removed from the vehicle and the

driver, Erasmo Dejesus-Olmos, 21, was taken into custody, police said.

The victim told police that the Dejesus-Olmos took her phone from her so she could not call 911.

Dejesus-Olmos was charged with second-degree kidnapping, third-degree assault, third-degree strangulation/suffocation, interfering with an officer/resisting and interfering with an emergency call.

Olmos is being held on a \$100,000 surety bond. He is scheduled to appear Monday in Manchester court.

Gastonbury police seek suspect in bank robbery

By Mike Mavredakis
Hartford Courant

Glastonbury police are looking for a man accused of robbing a People’s United Bank in Glastonbury on Saturday morning.

Police responded to the report of a bank robbery at People’s United Bank in the Stop & Shop at 215 Glastonbury Boulevard about 10:52 a.m. Saturday. A man in a hat, surgical mask

and blue T-shirt walked up to a bank teller and passed a note demanding money. No weapon was shown or implied, police said.

The man left the bank with an undisclosed amount of money. Police said the man, suspected to be about 30 years old, left in a white vehicle.

Anyone with information is asked to call Officer Barrett of the Glastonbury Police Department Investigations Division at 860-633-8301.



The carrot cake at G-Monkey is made with ginger-vanilla creme frosting. **G-MONKEY PLANT-FUELED FAST FOOD**

Other farms are Leaning Oak in Durham, Forest City in Middletown and KNOX in Hartford.

The restaurant sells a variety of monkey-logo branded merchandise. Sales of the merch help fund the couple’s favorite charitable causes, such as animal rescue, helping the homeless, addiction recovery, food banks and children’s organizations, especially in Culebra.

“It’s important to us that people who put their dollars here, in addition to getting organic and GMO free food, also are donating money to help people,” Beach said.

G-Monkey Plant-Fueled Fast Food, at 625 New Park Ave., in West Hartford, is open from noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday to Saturday. Diners can order online through the ToastTab app or on site. No delivery or phone orders. gmonkeyfastfood.com.

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of harm is based on notions of ‘goodwill,’ ‘emotional associations,’ and ‘intangible sentimental value’ in the former names, which applies in equal measure to ‘West Hartford residents of all generations.’”

If the lawsuit is permitted to go forward, the school board argues, the door will be opened for residents to file lawsuits concerning matters such as policy, staffing and budgeting decisions that they disagree with.

“There would be no limit to the generalized grievances and political questions that could be foisted upon the courts,” the school board said.

Instead, the school board argues, Zweig and McGowan have the right under the First Amendment to speak out in appropriate forums against the decision to change the mascots, and they have the ability to vote for school board candidates whose positions align with theirs.

“Such matters of governance and politics are left to the ballot box, not litigation in the courts,” the school board says.

The school board also says the plaintiffs do not have standing as taxpayers as they

don’t claim any potential tax increase from the mascots’ names being changed.

Further, even if they did, the school board says, the lawsuit ignores the benefits to the town by no longer having the Chieftains and Warriors as mascots.

“Although the plaintiffs may not agree, the children in the town’s high schools will now be free to compete on teams that are not clouded by any stigma associated with nicknames that were historically and indisputably linked to Native American imagery,” the school board says.

“Keeping the former team names would have forfeited the town’s future eligibility, and would cost the town a significant revenue source each and every year,” the board said.

As noted in court papers filed Friday, a newly enacted state law also could have jeopardized the town receiving revenue from the Native American tribal casinos located in Connecticut.

The town has received a total of about \$1.65 million in such revenue since 2012, the school district says in court papers.

Zweig and McGowan, in prior court filings, have noted that the town wouldn’t lose the revenue if it receives

written support from a federally or state-recognized tribe in Connecticut.

The original lawsuit filed by Zweig and McGowan notes that the Schaghticoke Tribal Nation, a state-recognized Native American tribal nation, recently approved “the respectful use of names, images and symbols that recognize the history and culture of Native Americans.”

Zweig, for his part, said he will file a response to the defendants’ motion.

“We are disappointed, but not surprised, that the Board is attempting to hide behind legal maneuvering in an effort to evade responsibility for their unlawful actions,” he said in a statement.

“While this latest attempt to avoid answering our allegations is unfortunate, it was also anticipated. The Board has shown a repeated unwillingness to listen to our concerns regarding their fatally flawed process, and this case is no different.

Instead of addressing the merits of our claims and justifying their actions, they are instead trying to silence us by preventing us from having our day in court,” Zweig said in the statement.

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lack of housing as a major driver of their exodus. The development at 3-5 Cherry Brook should begin to turn the exodus around. Instead of losing young people, these buildings could attract them — a welcome change for a community where the average age is 47.”

On Monday, he said that analysis still holds up, even with two-bedroom apartments that are more likely to draw young couples with a child.

“There’s a n economic case to be made that if all the homes we build are \$600,000, 700,000, \$800,000, then we restrict our newcomers to only people who can afford that — usually people who are well along in their careers with established families,” he said.

“They bring kids into the school system — from a tax point of view, those are the most expensive years for a town. And a lot of times when their children

finish going through the school system, those residents leave and the house is bought by more people in that situation,” he said.

The planning and zoning commission in 2017 approved a restaurant and other commercial use for the 401 Albany Turnpike land, which is just west of Daynard Drive. Numerous Daynard homeowners objected, but the town granted a permit — however, construction never began.

Schechinger noted that decision in the application for the 30-apartment project, and wrote that “The Route 44 corridor is the economic spine the community relies on for a variety of reasons including tax positive grand list growth to support community services.

“Many sites, including this one, were identified as being ‘opportunity locations’ in that they are intended to be developed to provide meaningful contribution to the grand list,” he wrote.

CONNECTICUT

Avelo Airlines touts 65% fall discounts from New Haven

But travel plans will have to come together in a hurry

By Kenneth R. Gosselin
Hartford Courant

Low-cost Avelo Airlines is making it even less expensive to fly out of Tweed New Haven Airport this fall, with an offer to slash airfares by 65% between Sept. 1 and Nov. 9.

But travel plans will have to come together in a hurry because the flights must be booked by 2:59 a.m. Thursday.

“The fall period is traditionally for the travel industry a softer period for bookings

simply because you have folks ramping back up to the school year and people going back to work,” Jim Olson, an Avelo spokesman, said.

“We think this 65% off fare will give some folks some inspiration to book a trip during that traditionally soft leisure travel period,” he said.

To qualify for the discount, flights must be booked through the airline’s website, aveloair.com using the promotional code “FLYLATER.”

Olson said Avelo bookings out of Tweed and

along East Coast airports have been strong this summer. The airline, which launched its first flight out of Tweed in November, said it is using the sale to be “proactive” about the anticipated lull in the fall.

The 65% discount announced Monday follows 30% and 50% discounts earlier this year as inflation pushed up the cost of summer travel amid strong passenger demand and higher fuel costs.

Low fares are just one part of Avelo’s strategy, balanced by a menu of fees that gets tacked on to the cost of flying on the airline. There are fees for, among others, priority

seating, checked bags, carry-on overhead bags and bringing a pet into the cabin.

Avelo serves 14 destinations from Tweed on Boeing 737 jetliners: Charleston, Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head, South Carolina; Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Orlando, Sarasota/Bradenton, Tampa and West Palm Beach, Florida; Nashville, Tennessee; Raleigh/Durham and Wilmington, North Carolina; Savannah, Georgia; Washington, D.C.; and Baltimore.

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rough years of bad behavior there. He has accepted responsibility in the killing of Markease Clark, who was 18. Moody maintained through court proceedings that the shooting was in self-defense.

While incarcerated Moody became a barber, later managing the prison barber shop. He took college courses, became a paralegal, learned carpentry and was a role model for other prisoners, he said. He continues to mentor prisoners from the outside.

“I started appreciating the life I have,” Moody said of his attitude in prison. “I started appreciating the things I took for granted. I found my personality, and I rolled with it.”

Both said they reconnected with God while incarcerated.



Donald Moody and business owner Joyce Bellamy have rekindled their relationship after 27 years following his early release from prison on a murder charge. **PROVIDED**

Early life of crime

The pair met in the early 1990s, introduced by Bellamy’s now late brother. He and Moody were best friends and hustlers.

Bellamy, then 22 and whose street name was “Jazzy Joyce,” became friendly with “Moody” — his street name — and let him know she was interested in him when Moody, then 17, and her brother tried to “hook her up” with someone else. There was immediate physical chemistry, and they started a relationship along with a friendship.

“I loved him, but I was a girl drug dealer and didn’t know how to express my feelings because my family wasn’t into expression,” she said.

All she knew in those early days was that he made her feel different than the others.

“I had already been through a very rough life. When I talked to him it was like laying my head on his shoulder,” she said. “The world didn’t exist.”

Bellamy said he would tenderly kiss scars she had as a result of a house fire.

The couple didn’t stay connected all those years that Moody was in jail. Life went on. It was an effective program in jail to release anger that completely changed Bellamy’s attitude, and life, forever.

Bellamy, always the entrepreneur, launched successful businesses, she said.

Moody had his mother contact Bellamy when parole looked promising. Moody said he was hoping Bellamy could help him get a job because he had heard she was a business owner.

The chemistry came flooding back for both of them.

“As soon as she heard my name, she contacted me,” he said of Bellamy. “I always thought about her ... I hadn’t heard her voice in so long.

They emailed, had video chats and in-person visits.

“I had a rule not to date anyone who is in prison, but I broke all the rules for him,” Bellamy said.

Communication is key

Moody recently moved into Bellamy’s Hamden home and the couple is working hard on communication, as both feel that is part of what threw the relationship off in the early days.

They plan on marrying in 2023, and Moody is insisting they have the kind of big traditional wedding Bellamy always dreamed of as a child.

Moody said the two have spoken about their past relationships, and, “It all comes down to communication I never expressed in my old life.” Bellamy said in the Black culture, “we don’t communicate and allow ourselves to feel love.”

The two are enjoying a lot of firsts together. as Moody has never experienced living with a woman who wasn’t his mom because he was incarcerated so young.

“The years I missed, I’m catching up learning about her,” he said. “She’s still bossy, but I like it.”

Moody shows his affection any time he can.

“I let her know I love her every day. I give her kisses every day. And when she’s not available, I send her kisses in emojis.”

When they make mistakes, the couple talks it out. They even have a soothing meditation/time-out room if one needs to take space. Together, they are designing a behavioral health program for ex-felons.

Between them they have eight children — none with each other.

All of the children have escaped the streets. He has three sons in their 20s and is close with them all. Two are working and one is in college.

“I discovered that fatherhood is my passion while I was in prison. To be an active parent gives me more to look forward to and a purpose. If someone asks me who I am today I’ll tell them, ‘I’m just a dad,’” Moody said.

Bellamy has five children ages 12 to 32. One is in college, two own businesses, one is a police dispatcher and the other just graduated from sixth grade.

“I look at him and he reminds me of the past,” Bellamy said. “I can see the past in him. It just brings joy to my heart to see him with me today.”

Art for AIDS brings to forefront that HIV still a serious threat

By Susan Dunne
Hartford Courant

After two years of a pandemic, with COVID-19 on everyone’s mind, a fundraiser for AIDS research may seem a throwback. But like COVID-19, HIV is still infecting and killing people.

Thus, this year’s annual Art for AIDS event is as much a cautious reminder as it is a chance to raise money.

“AIDS fell out of favor almost immediately after the early ’90s. The attention span of the population is very short. They move on very quickly from one crisis to another to another to another,” said John Merz, CEO of Advancing Connecticut Together (ACT).

“It is a challenge to let people know that it is still an issue. People need a reminder that on top of COVID, on top of monkeypox, on top of heart disease, there is this disease that is still part of the fabric of our society and we still need to pay attention.”

ACT will present the 13th annual Art for AIDS fundraiser on July 23 at ArtSpace Hartford. ACT is an umbrella agency that encompasses AIDS Connecticut, The CT Association for Human Services, The CT Center for Harm Reduction and Connecticut Pride.

Events such as Art for AIDS pump funds into research programs and remind people that HIV is still a threat.

The most recently available state statistics, Merz said, gathered in 2020, found 174 newly diagnosed cases of HIV. While that may seem small compared to the tragic early days of AIDS, a troubling trend is increasingly noticed, he said: Almost one-quarter of diagnosed people already have symptoms, or developed symptoms a few months after diagnosis. In 2020, 10,665

people were living with HIV disease in Connecticut, according to the ct.gov website, and according to the CDC, there were 18,489 deaths among people with diagnosed HIV in the United States in the same year.

“The progression of a person being infected with HIV to the symptomatic stage hasn’t changed. It’s always been seven to 10 years from the time of infection to the time of showing symptoms,” Merz said. “The sooner people know about an infection, the sooner we can put them on medications and prolong seeing the symptoms or even stop it in its tracks.

“What’s so disappointing is that 24% of recent cases were living with the virus in their bodies for six, seven, eight years and they were completely oblivious. Meanwhile, for all that time the virus has been tearing their body down on a cellular level and they were in a position to transmit the virus to other people unwittingly.”

In the earlier days of AIDS, people in high-risk communities were more vigilant and got themselves tested for HIV infection whether they felt sick or not, he said. Increasingly, with AIDS no longer on their radar, people don’t go to the doctor unless they feel sick.

“People are not thinking about AIDS anymore as a threat. It’s so last year’s news, out of sight out of mind,” he said. “People may be thinking, ‘We are so over this virus.’ But the virus has never been over us. That’s the mindset of humans. We get tired of the virus long before the virus gets tired of us.”

ACT travels around the state offering HIV tests and home test kits and ACT promotes PREP (pre-exposure prophylaxis) medication, Merz said, which can protect the body even before it is infected with HIV.

Merz acknowledged that it might seem counterintuitive to suggest people take medication to fight a virus they haven’t got yet. But he said it is a wise move for people in demographics that are vulnerable to infection.

“It’s almost like birth control. If you take it, you don’t become pregnant. PREP is like birth control for HIV,” he said.

Because of the coronavirus pandemic, Art for AIDS took different, less crowd-intensive forms in 2020 and 2021. The July 23 event will go back to the pre-2020 form, a one-night event in the gallery. However, proof of vaccination is required at the door, or proof of a negative test taken within 72 hours of the event, accompanied by a matching photo ID. With those protections in place, masks are optional.

The “art grab” is the highlight of the evening. Every ticket holder gets a 14 x 14 piece of art donated by a local artist. Winner’s Circle (\$500 admission) will be the first group to be allowed to choose art from the wall. Exclusive VIP (\$250 admission) will be the second group. VIP (\$125 admission) will be the third group. General admission (\$75) will be the fourth group. Proceeds from admissions go to ACT and The Richard B. Fried Fund for ACT at Hartford Foundation for Public Giving.

Admission also includes refreshments, beverages and the chance to participate in a raffle and buy other artworks (80% of those profits go to artists and 20% to ACT).

ART for AIDS starts at 7 p.m. at the 555 Asylum Ave. art gallery. Guests can park at Union Station, across the street. act.ct.org/art-for-aids. hulan.

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Waterbury police limiting van use after New Haven incident

Associated Press

Waterbury police have largely stopped using police vans to transport prisoners in response to a man becoming paralyzed in a New Haven police van incident last month.

Waterbury Police Chief Fernando Spagnolo and Mayor Neil O’Leary directed that the city’s two police vans be used only for bringing prisoners to and from court until seat belts are installed and officers are trained how to use them, the Republican-American newspaper reported Sunday.

The directive took effect July 1, and the seat belt installation and training are expected to be completed by the end of the summer,

Lt. Ryan Bessette, a police spokesman, said Monday. The vans had been used every day around the clock to transport most prisoners from arrest locations to the police station, to avoid taking cruisers off the streets for long periods.

“We want to make sure the arrestees are safe during transport,” Spagnolo told the newspaper.

O’Leary, a former city police chief who became mayor in 2011, said he has never heard of anyone being injured in a police van in Waterbury.

In New Haven, Richard “Randy” Cox was seriously injured in the back of a police van with no seat belts June 19 when, police say, the officer driving the vehicle braked suddenly to avoid an accident. Cox, who was handcuffed, flew head-first into the metal divider between the driver’s cab and the back and became paralyzed.

Cox’s family and the state NAACP are calling for federal civil rights charges against New Haven police. After the van incident, Cox, who is Black, was driven to the police station, where officers pulled him out of the van by his feet and dragged him to a cell, despite him telling officers he was injured and couldn’t move. He was eventually taken to a hospital.

Five officers were placed on leave pending an investigation, and city police announced reforms including having seat belts in all vans.

Bus

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tant general manager of HNS Management Inc., the private contractor that operates the bus service in Hartford, New Haven and Stamford (hence HNS) for CT Transit, which is owned by the state Department of Transportation.

The state has a quiltwork of transit districts, transit authorities and operators running its bus and paratransit systems. CT Transit is the largest, running the systems in Waterbury, New Britain, Bristol, Meriden and Wallingford as well as Hartford, New Haven and Stamford

and carrying about 80% of the state’s bus passengers.

A primary reason bus ridership didn’t take the precipitous dive that train ridership did is that buses carry a lot of essential workers who cannot work remotely and for whom hundreds of dollars a year for the bus is real money.

By April 1, when the free fare program began, ridership was back to 70%-75% of pre-COVID levels in Hartford, New Haven and Stamford, Rickman said. By the end of May, weekday ridership in the three cities reached nearly 90% of pre-COVID levels, with weekend numbers even higher, in part due to additional weekend service.

For transit to be attractive, even if fare-free, it must be frequent, fast, reliable and comfortable. Fast is an issue in Greater Hartford. With the laudable exception of the CT Fastrak dedicated busway from Hartford to New Britain, most bus service in the region would not qualify as “rapid” transit. Buses don’t move any faster than the traffic allows, and heavy congestion can skew the schedules and leave passengers looking longingly down the road, wondering if the bus will ever come.

But the Capitol Region Council of Governments, or CRCOG, in partnership with state transit officials,

is nearing completion of a study, called Metro Hartford Rapid Routes, intended to improve the speed and reliability of bus service in the region’s major transit corridors: Albany Avenue, Farmington Avenue, Franklin Avenue, Main Street and Park Street in Hartford as well as Burnside Avenue in East Hartford. These core routes carry 65% of the region’s bus passengers.

To speed them up, the study proposes a number of improvements, including:

- Transit signal priority. This innovation turns a light green a little sooner as a bus approaches or keeps it green a little longer, to make bus service faster. The study

proposes signal priority for all signalized intersections on the priority corridors.

- Bus lanes. These allow buses to move in their own lanes separate from general traffic. These lanes can be in the median, next to the parking line or along the curb, and can be full-time or peak-only. Short sections of bus lanes leading up to or just beyond intersections, called queue jump lanes, will hold traffic to let buses get back on the road more quickly.
- Stop optimization. While each route needs convenient stops, too many can unnecessarily slow the trip. The core routes currently have six to 10 stops per mile; the study recommends about five stops per mile.
- High quality stops. These are stops that give passengers an attractive and comfortable place to wait for the bus and provide key information such as when their bus will arrive. The study recommends high-quality stops along all the primary routes.
- Level boarding. This simply means elevating the curb for easier access and egress, which makes the stop a bit faster and is particularly useful to persons with disabilities.

The study estimates that signal priority can improve route speeds by 8%-40%, bus lanes by 12%-23%, stop optimization by 2%-6% and level boarding by 1%.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Dolores Valitsky (22-00066)

The Hon. Michael A. Carrier, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Berlin Probate Court, by decree dated July 13, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Dawn M. Valitsky-Beaumier
c/o KENNETH JOSEPH SHEA, ANDERSON, REYNOLDS & LYNCH, PC., ONE LIBERTY SQUARE, SUITE 208, NEW BRITAIN, CT 06051
July 19, 2022 7252486

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Augusta M. Benjamin, AKA Augusta Mills Benjamin (22-0443)

The Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Saybrook Probate Court, by decree dated July 13, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Rosemary L. Nolin, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Barbara B. Haines, 85 River Rd., N4, Essex, CT 06426
c/o Atty. Kerry Knobelsdorff, P.O. Box 809, Old Saybrook, CT 06475
July 19, 2022 7251456

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Luis Gonzalez (22-00541)

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Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

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7/19/22 7251754

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Angelene M. Jeffrey, AKA Angelene M. Jordan (22-00426)

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Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Zelvan Phillips, 154 Maple Street, Wethersfield, CT 06109
July 19, 2022 7252477

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Ann A. Dawson (22-00523)

The Hon. Michael A. Carrier, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Berlin Probate Court, by decree dated July 14, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is:
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Christopher Dawson
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July 19, 2022 7252471

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF LORENE MIFFLIN, Late of Portland (22-00194)

The Hon. Jennifer L. Berkenstock, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Region # 14 Probate Court, by decree dated July 12, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Rosetta F. Hinds, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:
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Sean Mifflin
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July 19, 2022 7252349

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Cynthia F. Rehm, Late of Hobe Sound Florida, AKA Cynthia Fenning Rehm (22-0411)

The Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Saybrook Probate Court, by decree dated July 14, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Jacqueline Craco, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Cynthia A. Rehm
c/o ERIN DESKIN NICHOLLS, WIGGIN AND DANA LLP 265 CHURCH STREET, PO 1832, NEW HAVEN, CT 06508
July 19, 2022 7252269

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT

Sealed proposals, addressed to the Supervisor of Purchases, City of Middletown, Room 112, Municipal Building, Middletown, Connecticut, 06457 will be received until Friday, August 5, 2022 by 3:00 PM for the following:

RFQ #2022-014
Project Manager for Use of ARPA Funding

The City of Middletown has received notification that it is receiving funding via the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA"). In the interest of ensuring that there is appropriate use of the funds, the City is accepting qualifications from firms who shall be responsible for assisting the City in ARPA implementation and compliance.

Proposal Packages may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, Room 112, Municipal Building, 245 DeKoven Drive, Middletown, CT, Monday - Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for a fee of \$.50 per page. It is preferred that they are downloaded free of charge on the City of Middletown web site: www.middletownct.gov . All questions concerning this RFQ should be directed in writing to the Purchasing Department via fax at 860-638-1995 or email at purchase@MiddletownCT.gov

The City of Middletown reserves the right to waive any defect in any proposal and reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof. Proposals, amendments to or withdrawals of proposals received after the time set for the receipt of proposals will not be considered.

All proposals are subject to and must comply with the equal opportunity and non-discriminatory provisions set forth in the Affirmative Action Plan of the City of Middletown.

Dated: 07/19/2022
Middletown, Connecticut

Donna L. Formato, CPPB, NIGP-CPP
Supervisor of Purchases
7/19/2022 7252193

NOTICE OF REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY

Notice is hereby given that a Primary of the Republican Party will be held in Middletown, Connecticut on August 11, 2022 for nomination to each office indicated below.

Notice is also hereby given that the following is the name of the party-endorsed candidate of the Republican Party for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street address of said candidate:

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS
Voting Districts 1-12 United States Senator Secretary of the State	Themis Klarides Dominic Rapini	66 Governors Way, Madison, CT 06443 4 Mariners Way, Branford, CT 06405

Notice is also hereby given that the following are the names of the enrolled members of the Republican Party who have filed certificates of eligibility and consent to primary in conformity with the General Statutes, as candidates for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street addresses of said candidates:

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS
Voting Districts 1-12 United States Senator United States Senator Secretary of the State Secretary of the State	Leora R. Levy Peter Lumaj Brook Weber Terrie E. Wood	59 Pecksland Road, Greenwich, CT 06831 745 Mill Plain Road, Fairfield, CT 06424 17 Lancelwood Lane, Wolcott, CT 06716 50 Saint Nicholas Road, Darien, CT 06820

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 22nd day of June 2022.
Denise W. Merrill, Secretary of the State

The foregoing is a copy of the notice which I received on June 22, 2022 from the Office of the Secretary of the State, in accordance with Section 9-433 of the General Statutes. As provided in said notice, a primary of the Republican Party for nomination to the state or district offices therein specified will be held on August 11, 2022. The hours of voting at said primary and the location of the polls will be as follows:
Hours of Voting shall be 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

District
Location of Polling Place
District 1
MacDonough School, 66 Spring Street
District 2
Spencer School, 207 Westfield Street
District 3
Lawrence School, Kaplan Drive
District 4
Moody School, 300 Country Club Road
District 5
Lawrence School, Kaplan Drive
District 6
Snow School, 299 Wadsworth Street
District 7
Spencer School, 207 Westfield Street
District 8
Fayerweather Beckham Hall, 55 Whyllys Avenue
District 9
Wesley School, Wesleyan Hills Road
District 10
South Fire District Firehouse, 445 Randolph Road
District 11
Bielefield School, 70 Maynard Street
District 12
Bielefield School, 70 Maynard Street

Absentee ballots will be made available in accordance with the law beginning Tuesday, July 19, 2022 from the Town Clerks Office, 245 DeKoven Drive, Middletown, CT between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Absentee ballots will be counted in the Common Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 245 DeKoven Drive, Middletown CT. on August 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and if needed, 8:00 p.m.

Dated this 22nd day of June 2022.
Ashley Flynn-Natale, City & Town Clerk of Middletown
7251356 7/19/2022

NOTICE OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY

Notice is hereby given that a Primary of the Democratic Party will be held in Middletown, Connecticut on August 11, 2022 for nomination to each office indicated below.

Notice is also hereby given that the following is the name of the party-endorsed candidate of the Democratic Party for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street address of said candidate:

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS
Voting Districts 1-12 Secretary of the State Treasurer	Stephanie Thomas Erick Russell	81 William Street, Norwalk, CT 06851 215 Stevenson Road, New Haven, CT 06515

Notice is also hereby given that the following are the names of the enrolled members of the Democratic Party who have filed certificates of eligibility and consent to primary in conformity with the General Statutes, as candidates for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street addresses of said candidates:

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS
Voting Districts 1-12 Secretary of the State Treasurer Treasurer	Maritza Bond Dita Bhargava Karen DuBois-Walton	784 Quinnipiac Avenue, New Haven, CT 06513 502 Cognewaugh Road, Greenwich, CT 06807 58 Pearl Street, New Haven, CT 06513

Voting Districts 4, 6, 9 & 11
State Senate-13
Date at Hartford, Connecticut, this 22nd day of June 2022.
Denise W. Merrill, Secretary of the State

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Muscular dollar adding to world's economic worries

Currency's power saps US firms' profits abroad; foreign governments face issues paying debts

By **Karl Russell, Joe Rennison and Jason Karaian**
The New York Times

The value of the U.S. dollar is the strongest it has been in a generation, devaluing currencies around the world and unsettling the outlook for the global economy as it upends everything from the cost of a vacation abroad to the profitability of multinational companies.

The dollar lubricates the global economy. It is one side of about 90% of all foreign exchange transactions, accounting for \$6 trillion in activity every day before the pandemic, from tourists using their credit cards to companies making major international investments.

As the world's most important currency, the dollar often rises in times of turmoil, in part because investors consider it to be relatively safe and stable. The dollar has gained in recent months as inflation has soared, interest rates have increased and the worries over growth have worsened. "That's a pretty tough mix," said

Kamakshya Trivedi, co-head of a market research group at Goldman Sachs.

The main way to gauge the dollar's strength is by indexing it against a basket of currencies of major trading partners like Japan and the eurozone. By that measure, the dollar is at a 20-year high, after gaining more than 10% this year, a huge move for an index that typically shifts by tiny fractions each day.

In the past week, the yen sank to a 24-year low against the dollar, and the euro fell to parity with the dollar, a one-for-one exchange rate, for the first time since 2002. But pick just about any currency — the Colombian peso or the Indian rupee, the Polish zloty or the South African rand — and it has probably lost value against the dollar, especially over the past six months or so.

The factors roiling the global economy partly explain why the dollar has suddenly become so much stronger.

As central bankers around the world try to tame inflation by raising interest rates, the Federal Reserve is moving more quickly and more aggressively than most.

As a result, rates are now markedly higher in the United States than they are in many other large economies, luring investors attracted by the higher returns on even relatively conservative investments such as Treasury bonds. As money has poured in, the value of the dollar has increased.

But American companies with large international operations are taking a hit when they convert foreign sales back into dollars. Profits at both Microsoft and Nike, for example, have recently eroded. Apple generates more than 60% of its sales outside the U.S.; it and other tech giants are likely to suffer from the dollar's strength when they reveal their latest financial results in the coming weeks.

Many companies and governments abroad borrow in dollars, and the currency's strength is a big problem. This is particularly true for poorer countries attracted to dollar-denominated debt as an alternative to less developed local markets.

Likely to be most affected are countries where dollar debt represents a large portion of their gross domestic product.

Delta orders 100 Boeing 737 Max 10 jets for fleet

By **Michelle Chapman**
Associated Press

Delta is ordering 100 737 Max 10 airplanes, the largest of the line produced by Boeing, potentially giving the manufacturer additional momentum after a troubled rollout of its most advanced aircraft.

Delta has an option to purchase 30 more of the aircraft as the airline looks to keep up with surging travel demand.

Boeing has struggled to keep up with its European rival Airbus after a pair of 737 Max aircraft crashed in a short span of time, killing 346 passengers and crew members.

Airlines are aggressively trying to reduce costs and the 737 Max can help them do that. Delta Air Lines said Monday that the airplanes, which can seat up to 230 people, will reduce fuel consumption and emissions by 20% to 30% compared with the planes it will replace.

However, the Max 10 has not been certified by federal regulators.

Boeing is rushing to get that approval before a year-end deadline, when new standards enacted after two crashes of Max jets would require that the planes have a cockpit-alert system that warns pilots about some malfunctions on the plane. Boeing is also lobbying Congress for an exemption to the standard, according to published reports.

Financial terms of the order were not disclosed. The plane carries a list price of \$134.9 million, according to Boeing's website, but airlines routinely receive deep discounts.

Airlines have attempted to absorb surging demand for flights. While they struggled during the COVID-19 pandemic amid lockdowns and quarantines, they're now experiencing extremely high demand from millions eager to travel now that vaccines are readily available and restrictions have eased.



Travelers pick up their baggage while arriving July 2 at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport in Arlington, Virginia. Experts say if your luggage does not arrive when you do, notify the airline before you leave the airport. **STEFANI REYNOLDS/GETTY-AFP**

Flyers find no friendly skies

Staffing shortages, surge in flight demand leads to more missing passenger luggage

By **Julie Weed**
The New York Times

The Apple AirTag tracking device that Lily Datta had placed in her luggage before leaving Cleveland on June 27 showed the suitcase had arrived in Paris the following day. That perplexed Datta because she and her family had no plans to go to Paris. Their destination was Vienna, with stops in Washington, D.C., and Barcelona to get there, but not Paris. It was the family's first foray abroad since the start of the pandemic, a trip to celebrate her son Dev's high school graduation.

Datta filed a lost luggage claim at the airport, but when the suitcase was not delivered to their hotel in Vienna the next morning as promised, she began emailing the airline, sharing the bag's location (according to the AirTag) daily. She received no response. Even more frustrating, she said, was that when she called the customer service number she had been given, she "just got a recording — no one

ever picked up and there was no way to leave a message."

Surging air travel demand and airport staffing shortages have made this a bedeviling summer when it comes to lost and delayed checked luggage. Incidents like the recent baggage system malfunction at London's Heathrow Airport, which caused such big backups that flights were canceled to give workers a chance to sort out the mess, have only added to the misery.

While the number of mishandled bags had been decreasing over the past decade, partly because of new technology, the last few years have changed that trajectory. The number of delayed or lost bags rose to 6 out of 1,000 bags last February, from 5 out of 1,000 in February 2020, according to the most recent report from the Department of Transportation.

The system is now operating beyond its capacity, said William McGee, the senior fellow for aviation at the American Economic Liberties Project, a nonpartisan organization that promotes equal access to economic markets.

"This is the worst summer meltdown for airline customer service in the 37 years I've spent working in, writing about and advocating about the airlines," he said.

To better the odds that your luggage won't get lost — and that you and your bag will be reunited if it does — follow these tips. Much of the trouble is beyond your control so a Zen mindset of patience can help as well.

- Identify your luggage. The most important thing you can do to help the airline reunite you with lost luggage is to label its exterior with your initials and phone number, and put more complete contact information like a business card inside. Take photos of the luggage and note the brand name and dimensions. Keep your baggage claim check and know your ticket and flight number.
- Act immediately. If your luggage does not arrive when you do, notify the airline before you leave the airport. Getting in touch by phone has been challenging. The recorded notice on a phone call on June 30 to Delta Air Lines predicted a wait time of 80 minutes and offered no option to leave a number to receive a call back.
- Keep a virtual eye on it. Placing a small tracking device like a Tile or Apple AirTag inside your luggage lets you monitor the bag's whereabouts via a phone app. "It's about the same cost as checking one bag," said Cox at Breeze Airways.

BUSINESS BRIEFING

GE's 3 post-split firms get names

General Electric on Monday revealed the names of the three companies that will operate on their own after the historic split of the onetime conglomerate.

The name of the aviation business that will essentially be the remaining core of GE, headed by CEO Larry Culp, will be called GE Aerospace.

The energy wing, including GE Renewable Energy, GE Power, GE Digital and GE Vernova Financial Services, will be called GE Vernova.

The health care business will be named GE Healthcare.

The split is the culmination of years of paring by the conglomerate as it rid itself of the products most Americans know it for, including its appliances and light bulbs.

Hackers block Albania services

TIRANA, Albania — The Albanian government on Monday said its webpage and all those of the public institutions have been shut down following a cyberattack from an undisclosed source.

A statement said a "wide and complex" cyberattack started Friday afternoon, after which all government infrastructure and systems were isolated.

It started as a ransomware attack in which the hackers tried to hit critical systems, aiming to make them nonfunctional, it said.

The statement said the "method used by the hackers was identical with the last year's attacks seen in the international cyberspace," mentioning those in Ukraine, Germany, Lithuania, Malta, the Netherlands and Belgium.

Leaders ink deals to try to sidestep Russia

By **Frances D'Emilio and Thomas Adamson**
Associated Press

ROME — European leaders ramped up their push to secure alternative energy supplies Monday as fears escalate of a complete natural gas cutoff by Russia, with the leaders of Italy, France and the European Union sealing deals with their counterparts in Algeria, Azerbaijan and the United Arab Emirates.

With his government's fate in limbo back home, Italian Premier Mario Draghi visited Algeria's capital of Algiers, seeking to cement the North African country's role as a preeminent regional partner. Algerian President Abdelmadjid Tebboune said a

\$4 billion deal would be signed Tuesday to supply "a significant quantity of gas."

Also Monday, France and the United Arab Emirates signed an agreement on energy cooperation to ensure oil and natural gas supplies from the Gulf country. The French Economy Ministry didn't release details of the deal as President Emmanuel Macron hosted Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan in Paris.

The same day, EU Commission President Ursula von der Leyen was in Azerbaijan to clinch a deal with President Ilham Aliyev on increased gas supplies from the former Soviet republic.

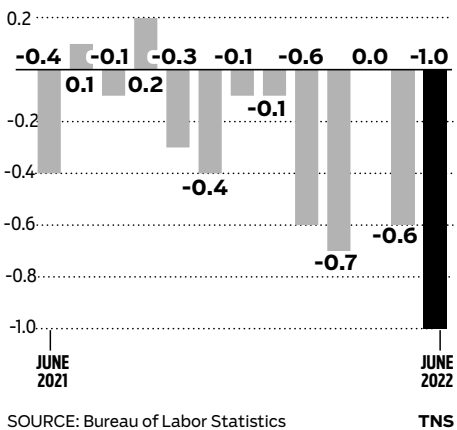
With the tentative agreement, the EU wants to double the gas imports from Azerbaijan within half a decade.

Europe has been scrambling to secure alternative energy sources as Russia's war in Ukraine and Moscow's drawdown or cutoff of natural gas flows to a dozen EU countries have triggered soaring energy prices, inflation and growing expectations of a recession. The 27-nation EU now is bracing for the possibility of a complete Russian cutoff of natural gas that powers industry, generates electricity and heats homes in winter.

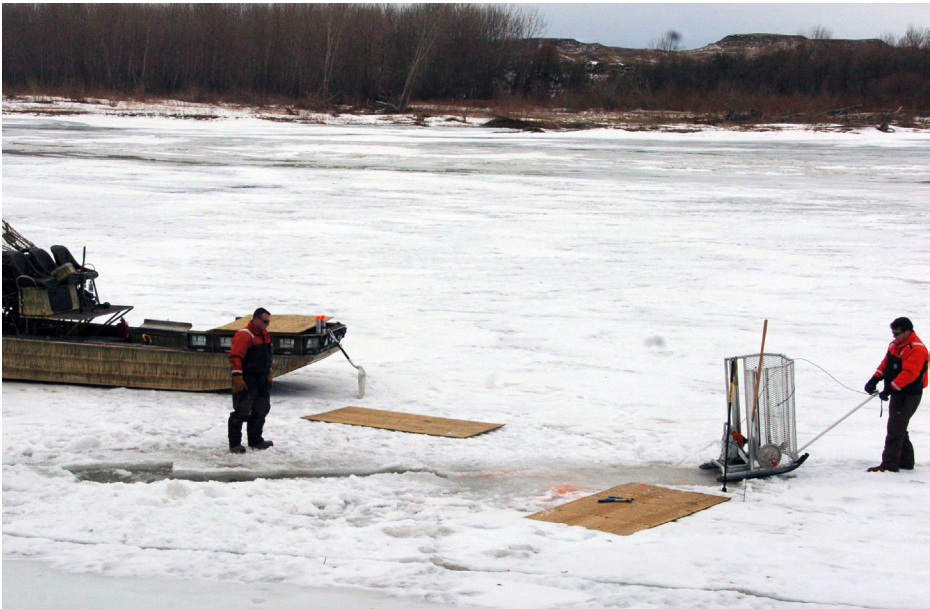
Leaders have been pushing to fill underground gas storage to try to avert a worsening energy crisis when the cold months arrive. There are fears a major pipeline between Russia and Germany that closed for maintenance last week will not turn back on in retaliation for sanctions.

Real earnings

Monthly percent change in real (adjusted for inflation) average hourly earnings for all employees, seasonally adjusted



BUSINESS



Cleanup workers on the Yellowstone River near Crane, Montana, try to recover oil from an upstream pipeline spill that released over 50,000 gallons of crude. MATTHEW BROWN/AP 2015

US officials suspect firm hid pipeline problems after spill

By Matthew Brown
Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. — U.S. prosecutors suspect a Wyoming company of potentially concealing problems with a pipeline that broke in 2015 and spilled more than 50,000 gallons of crude oil into Montana's Yellowstone River, fouling a small city's drinking water supply, court filings show.

The government is suing Bridger Pipeline for violations of environmental laws in the 2015 spill that came after the line buried beneath the Yellowstone became exposed and broke when ice scoured the river bottom near Glendive, Montana. Prosecutors are pursuing similar claims against a related company over a 2016 spill in North Dakota that released more than 600,000 gallons of crude oil.

The accidents came a few years after an Exxon-Mobil oil pipeline broke beneath the Yellowstone during flooding. The spills helped put a national focus on the nation's aging pipeline network that has continued to suffer high profile acci-

dents including recent spills in Louisiana and California.

A survey of Bridger's pipeline on the company's behalf in 2011 included a note that the pipe was buried only 1 ½ feet beneath the ever-shifting river bottom. That would have put it at heightened risk of breaking.

But after the spill, prosecutors alleged, company representatives referenced a second survey when they told federal regulators that the pipeline had been buried at least 7.9 feet, giving it "adequate cover" to protect against spills.

"This raises questions — which Bridger has yet to answer — about whether Bridger concealed material facts about the condition of the crossing before the Yellowstone spill," assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Elmer wrote in court documents.

Attorneys for Bridger rejected the allegations about conflicting surveys as "conspiracy theories."

Pipeline company spokesperson Bill Salvin said the government misunderstood the surveys.

"We think the government is trying to find some-

thing that's just not there," Salvin said.

Federal prosecutors last month filed a lawsuit with similar claims against a sister company, Belle Fourche Pipeline, over the 2016 North Dakota spill that contaminated the Little Missouri River and a tributary.

Both pipeline businesses are part of Casper, Wyoming-based True Companies, which operates 1,800 miles of line in Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming.

Prosecutors allege the spills violated the Clean Water Act and are subject to penalties of up to \$96.1 million in both cases.

Attorneys for Belle Fourche, in their response to the federal lawsuit, on Thursday denied any violations of pollution laws.

Bridger last year reached a \$2 million settlement with the federal government and Montana over damages from the Yellowstone River spill.

The company was previously fined \$1 million in the case by the Montana Department of Environmental Quality.

Ring video given to police 11 times without user's consent

By Haleluya Hadero
Associated Press

Amazon has provided Ring doorbell footage to law enforcement 11 times this year without the user's permission, a revelation that's bound to raise more privacy and civil liberty concerns about its video-sharing agreements with police departments across the country.

The disclosure came in a letter from the company that was made public last week by Sen. Edward Markey, a Massachusetts Democrat who sent a separate letter to Amazon last month questioning Ring's surveillance practices and engagement with law enforcement.



Amazon disclosed that it has provided footage from its Ring doorbell system to law enforcement 11 times this year without obtaining the user's consent. JESSICA HILL/AP 2019

Ring has said before it will not share customer information with police without consent, a warrant or due to "an exigent or emergency" circumstance.

The 11 videos shared this year fell under the emergency provision, Amazon's letter said, the first time the company publicly shared such information.

The letter, dated July 1, did not say which videos were shared with police.

Brian Huseman, Amazon's vice president for public policy, wrote in the letter that in each instance, "Ring made a good-faith determination that there was an imminent danger of death or serious physical injury to a person requiring disclosure of information without delay."

In such cases, Huseman wrote Ring "reserves the right to respond immediately to urgent law enforcement requests for information," adding the company makes a determination as to when to share video footage without user consent based on information provided to it in an emergency request form and circumstances described by law

enforcement.

Some prior requests from law enforcement have raised concerns about how police might be attempting to use Ring footage.

Last year, the nonprofit digital rights group Electronic Frontier Foundation reported the Los Angeles Police Department requested Ring footage of Black Lives Matter protests from users in 2020.

In a statement, Markey's office said the findings show a close relationship between Ring and law enforcement, and a proliferation of police using the platform.

Amazon said in its letter that 2,161 law enforcement agencies are enrolled in Ring's Neighbors app, a forum for residents to share videos of suspicious activity captured by their home security cameras. That number represents a five-fold increase since November 2019, according to the senator's office.

"As my ongoing investigation into Amazon illustrates, it has become increasingly difficult for the public to move, assemble, and converse in public

without being tracked and recorded," Markey said in a statement.

Among other things, the senator's statement also criticized the company for not clarifying the distance Ring products can capture audio recordings.

The company had said in its response letter what Ring captures "depends on many conditions, including device placement and environmental conditions."

The Ring disclosure comes as Amazon is facing broader antitrust scrutiny in Congress and also in Europe about its e-commerce business, and accusations of undercutting merchants that sell on its platform by making "knock-offs," or very similar products, and boosting their presence on its site.

Markey and several other Democratic lawmakers are also pushing for a bill that prohibits the use of biometric technology by federal agencies and ties federal grant funding to states and localities on the condition that they put a moratorium on the use of such technology.

MARKET RUNDOWN

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

↓ DOW

31,072.61 -215.65

10-YR T-BOND

2.96% ...

↑ GOLD

\$1,709.20 +6.80

31,680

30,900

30,120

36,000

34,000

32,000

30,000

28,000

Dow Jones Industrials

Close: 31,072.61

Change: -215.65 (-0.7%)

10 DAYS

Commodities

	CLOSE	PREV.	YTD
FUELS			
Crude Oil (bbl)	102.60	97.59	+36.42%
Natural Gas (mm btu)	7.48	7.02	+100.51%
Unleaded Gas (gal)	3.26	3.21	+46.49%
METALS			
Gold (oz)	1,709.20	1,702.40	-6.47%
Silver (oz)	18.79	18.55	-19.45%

Foreign Exchange

	ForEx in U.S. \$	U.S. \$ in ForEx
Britain	1.1952	.8367
Canada	.7710	1.2970
China	.1483	6.7432
Euro	1.0151	.9851
Japan	.007244	138.05
Mexico	.048843	20.4738

Money Rates

	CLOSE	PREV.	WK.
Prime rate	4.75	4.75	
3-mo. T-Bill	2.49	2.17	
6-mo. T-Bill	2.99	2.78	
5-yr T-Note	3.06	3.05	
10-yr T-Note	2.96	2.98	
30-yr T-Bond	3.14	3.18	

Global Markets

	CLOSE	CHG.	%CHG.	%YTD
Frankfurt	12,959.81	+95.09	+74%	-18.41%
London	7,223.24	+64.23	+90%	-2.18%
Hong Kong	20,846.18	+548.46	+2.70%	-10.90%
Nikkei	26,788.47	+145.08	+54%	-6.96%

Domestic Indexes

	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD
DOW Indus.	31,072.61	-215.65	-14.49%
DOW Trans.	13,281.41	+69.20	-19.40%
DOW Util.	949.77	-13.39	-3.16%
NYSE Comp.	14,403.18	-46.49	-16.09%
Nasdaq Comp.	11,360.05	-92.37	-27.39%
S&P 500	3,830.85	-32.31	-19.62%
S&P 400	2,298.94	-4.74	-19.11%
Wilshire 5000	38,146.36	-264.95	-21.28%
Russell 2000	1,738.42	-5.95	-22.58%

Stocks of Local Interest							
STOCK (TICKER)	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD %CHG	STOCK (TICKER)	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD %CHG
AMC Entertainment A (AMC)	16.54	+1.17	-39.2	MGM Resorts Intl (MGM)	29.51	+.28	-34.2
AT&T Inc (T)	20.53	-.04	-16.5	Marathon Digital Hld (MARA)	9.76	+1.72	-80.9
Adv Micro Dev (AMD)	81.43	+.32	-43.4	Meta Platforms Inc (META)	167.23	+2.53	-50.3
Advent Technologies (ADN)	2.95	+.32	-57.9	MetLife Inc (MET)	59.10	+.07	-5.4
Alphabet Inc C (GOOG)	109.91	-2.86	-24.0	Mullen Automotive (MULN)	1.06	-.02	-79.7
Alphabet Inc A (GOOGL)	109.03	-2.75	-24.7	Novartis AG (NVS)	82.70	-1.94	-5.5
Amazon.com Inc (AMZN)	113.76	+.21	-31.8	Nvidia Corporation (NVDA)	161.01	+3.39	-45.3
American Airlines Gp (AAL)	14.54	+.07	-19.0	Otis Worldwide Corp (OTIS)	68.96	-.55	-20.8
Amphenol Corp (APH)	65.22	-.90	-25.4	Palantir Technol (PLTR)	9.03	-.01	-50.4
Apple Inc (AAPL)	147.07	-3.10	-17.2	Pfizer Inc (PFE)	50.75	-1.00	-14.1
Avangrid Inc (AGR)	44.54	-.98	-10.7	Pitney Bowes (PBI)	3.82	+.13	-42.4
Bank of America (BAC)	32.26	+.01	-27.5	Plug Power Inc (PLUG)	16.42	+.96	-41.8
Barnes Group (B)	30.90	-.01	-33.7	Prudential Fncl (PRU)	92.66	+.33	-14.4
Booking Holdings (BKNG)	1738.79	+40.20	-27.5	Pub Svc Ent Gp (PEG)	60.06	-.49	-10.0
Brist Myr Sqb (BMY)	73.74	-1.91	+18.3	Qudian Inc (QD)	1.67	+.48	+72.3
CVS Health Corp (CVS)	94.29	-1.08	-8.6	Raytheon Technolog (RTX)	89.80	-1.43	+4.3
Carnival Corp (CCL)	9.65	+.47	-52.0	Riot Blockchain Inc (RIOT)	6.23	+.66	-72.1
Carrier Global Corp (CARR)	35.55	-.45	-34.5	Rogers Corp (ROG)	263.53	-.47	-3.5
Charter Communic (CHTR)	474.01	-2.59	-27.3	Roblox Corp (RBLX)	39.75	-.02	-61.5
Cigna Corp (CI)	268.35	-5.76	+16.9	SS&C Technologies (SSNC)	58.55	-.68	-28.6
Citigroup (C)	50.07	+.09	-17.1	Shopify Inc (SHOP)	32.54	+1.27	...
Comcast Corp A (CMCSA)	40.54	-.36	-19.5	Snap Inc A (SNAP)	13.92	+.27	-70.4
Disney (DIS)	95.70	+.50	-38.2	Sthwstn Energy (SWN)	6.06	+.30	+30.0
EMCOR Group Inc (EME)	101.48	-.69	-20.3	Stanley Black & Deck (SWK)	106.81	-.32	-43.4
Endo Intl plc (ENDP)	.42	+.02	-88.9	Starwood Prop Trust (STWD)	21.60	+.14	-11.1
Ethan Allen (ETD)	22.06	+.35	-16.1	Sundial Growers Inc (SNDL)	.33	+.01	-43.8
Eversource Energy (ES)	82.45	-1.21	-9.4	Tantech Hldgs Ltd (TANH)	.32	+.06	-93.0
Biofem Biosciences (EVFM)	.88	...	-84.4	Terex Corp (TEX)	28.93	+.03	-34.2
Xela Technologies (XELA)	.14	+.03	-84.6	Tesla Inc (TSLA)	721.64	+1.44	-31.7
Ford Motor (F)	11.96	+.08	-42.4	Tilray Brands Inc (TLRY)	3.40	+.10	-51.6
Freeport McMoRan (FCX)	27.42	+1.60	-34.3	Travelers Cos (TRV)	154.99	-1.19	-.9
FuelCell Energy (FCEL)	3.50	+.01	-32.7	Uber Technologies (UBER)	22.58	+.91	-46.1
Gen Dynamics (GD)	209.79	-2.98	+.6	United Rentals (URI)	257.05	+5.21	-22.6
Gen Electric (GE)	63.68	+.82	-32.6	UnitedHealth Group (UNH)	519.37	-10.38	+3.4
Grab Holdings Ltd A (GRAB)	2.73	+.24	-61.7	Vertical Aerospace (EVTL)	5.19	+.19	-22.9
Hartford Fn Sv (HIG)	61.91	-1.08	-10.3	Virtus Invest (VRTS)	177.83	-2.69	-40.1
Honeywell Intl (HON)	170.95	-1.85	-18.0	Voya Financial (VOYA)	43.63	-.41	-13.1
Horizon Tech Fin (HRZN)	12.08	+.18	-24.1	Webster Financial (WBS)	57.94	+.18	-21.3
Infosys Ltd (INFY)	18.44	+.27	-27.1	White Mtns Insur (WTM)	1234.60	-10.98	+21.8
Intel Corp (INTC)	38.71	+.09	-24.8	World Wrestling Ent (WWE)	63.29	-.34	+28.3
Kaman (KAMN)	28.72	-.90	-33.4	XPO Logistics Inc (XPO)	48.34	+.33	-37.6
Keycorp (KEY)	17.70	+.18	-23.5	Xerox Holdings Corp (XRX)	14.78	+.25	-34.7
Kinross Gold (KGC)	3.21	+.12	-44.8				
Lincoln Natl Corp (LNC)	47.46	+.40	-30.5				
M&T Bank (MTB)	157.97	+1.76	+2.9				

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trump backers on wrong side of history

I have often wondered about the people who hurled racist attacks at the children trying to integrate schools, at the civil rights workers trying to integrate lunch counters, at African Americans trying to register to vote in the 1960s. Have they ever felt embarrassment or regret for their actions? I am now wondering the same about Donald Trump supporters. In particular, I wonder about elected officials who supported and still support Trump. We choose these people partly, I would hope, for their intelligence. Did none of you question the man's qualifications for the office of president, to say nothing of his intelligence, honesty, morality? Are any of you now surprised at the Jan. 6 hearings? Do you remember the Watergate hearings, when honorable Republicans put the welfare of their country before loyalty to their party? Where is your honor, ladies and gentlemen?

June Blacksten, Glastonbury

Rep. Christine Palm's archaic ideals

In response to Rep. Christine Palm's op-ed "We must end gun violence to win independence from fear" [courant.com, July 8]: There is no constitutional right to be free from fear. But there is a crystal-clear right to keep and bear arms, and it shall not be infringed. Ms. Palm is on the wrong side of history. She wrote, "Liberty to cling to an outdated, and erroneous interpretation of the Second Amendment." There's nothing erroneous about "the right of the people." We the people have "the right to keep and bear arms." As Thomas Jefferson eloquently stated, "Timid men prefer the calm of despotism to the tempestuous sea of liberty."

Perhaps Ms. Palm should rethink her archaic ideals.

Steve Goodwin, Hartford

Don't let guard down on COVID-19 mutation

The new COVID-19 mutation that has been spotted across several countries including India, the United Kingdom and Canada is a sign that we are not tackling this pandemic with the right measures. This virus' new mutations, which may increase its contagion rates, have luckily been detected early. However, what's worrisome is that it has been detected across the world in areas with low virus surveillance, meaning this variant could actually be more prevalent than we know. Cases are popping up in the U.S. We need to act, and we have the means to do so. Sen. Chris Murphy has been a champion for global health while serving on the congressional subcommittee to fund foreign aid.

I believe Sen. Murphy needs to continue his fight to end this pandemic and require increased funding for primary health care in global aid. This will not only help with surveillance for this mutation, but further mutations and even future pandemics. This pandemic will not come to an end with temporary strategies, only with action that can not only solve the problem but prevent it.

Mae Griffin, New Haven

Our pain pales compared to that felt by Ukrainians

I doubt that we are "on the brink of economic suicide over Russia" [courant.com, July 5, Rachel Marsden column].

Without question the United States, Europe and other countries aligned against this example of unprovoked aggression are feeling economic pain. This pain pales against the horrors being inflicted upon Ukrainians, only because they are willing to resist this attack to permit them to live in freedom.

To repeat an overworked observation: they are suffering the travails of this war also on behalf of us and all freedom-loving people in the world. What would Ms. Marsden wish? That any country having the benefit of unearned natural resources has the right to impose its will on whosoever it decides? Another solution might be to ween ourselves from this dependence and not promote a worldview antithetical to ours.

Valdis Vinkels, Coventry

Math doesn't add up in Kao's column

After reading Emile Kao's comments on cancel culture [Opinion, July 8, "To combat era of cancel culture, let's foster culture of honesty"]. I must comment on the elementary school math they seem to have missed. They argue more than half of "Americans aren't friends with anyone who doesn't share their political views," citing 26% of Democrats, 20% of Independents and 12% of Republicans. While totaling those numbers gets one to 58%, that is not how it works. The 58% must be divided by 3 to get the true percentage of such Americans. Doing so shows approximately 20% limit their friendships in this way. That said, this comes from a think tank.

One additional comment on their concern of "the danger cancel culture poses to our political discourse:" We have a Senate in which the current minority party regularly uses the filibuster to prevent discussion of matters of importance to most Americans.

Stephen Newberg, New Britain



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Waiting for answers in Enfield's 'pizza and consent' debacle

By Amanda Marquez

When the school year ended on June 22, the board of education in Enfield successfully ignored concerned parents for 134 days. Despite repeated requests from parents, the board has refused to explain how an assignment about sex and pizza found its way into JFK Middle School.

On Jan. 13, an 8th grade health teacher handed out an assignment to students labeled "Pizza and Consent." The assignment starts by stating pizza can be used as a metaphor for sex. It goes on to encourage the children to draw or color their "favorite pizza toppings" in relation to sex acts. The examples provided aren't even appropriate to publish in this article, yet they were appropriate for middle school students? These children were asked to write about sexual wants and desires and turn the answers in to the teacher.

Let's be very clear: a teacher asked minors to write their sexual preferences on paper and hand it in. Since when is it OK for any adult to ask this of a child? If a teacher pulled a student aside and asked them these questions, they would be fired, but when a teacher asks the class collectively, then it's OK? The legal age of consent in Connecticut is 16, these children were 13. Is asking them to answer these questions even legal? Is it legal as long as it is under the guise of a "state-mandated curriculum?"

The Enfield Board of Education seems

to be satisfied with such an explanation. One board member stated that this assignment stemmed from the state's curriculum. So that begs the question, who at the state level thinks that asking underage children their sexual preferences is educational, let alone appropriate? What kind of people control what our kids learn every day?

Parents demanded answers from the board of education: Where did this assignment come from? How did it get into the curriculum in the first place? Is this mandated by the state? Who paid for it? And most importantly, what other questionable assignments are in our curriculum? Not only has the board failed to answer any of these questions, but our governor, Ned Lamont, has also failed to make any comment about this assignment, despite it making international news.

By ignoring the issue, Gov. Lamont is implying that the use of sex to teach kids in public schools is not his responsibility or worthy of his attention. The state spends billions of our local, state and federal tax dollars each year to fund our public education. We are left to assume that these are the funds used to purchase the egregious curriculum plans and materials. Which then poses another question: which other towns have this assignment or assignments like it in their curriculum? So many questions, so few answers.

If the state played no role in sourcing this assignment, Gov. Lamont would have

already said so, especially since the story went viral. If he didn't agree, he would have denounced this type of assignment immediately. His silence speaks louder than words, if this wasn't something he had a hand in, he would have told us where the assignment was produced and how it made its way to Enfield. He would also ensure that the company involved in the production of the material was no longer working with the public schools in Connecticut, and make efforts to put safeguards in state curriculum guidelines to prevent inappropriate material from showing up in any public school.

Gov. Lamont has done nothing. He has ignored concerned parents just like the Enfield Board of Education, leaving all of us with more questions than answers and our children vulnerable to the next inappropriate, borderline illegal assignment.

I never thought I would be kept in the dark about my children's education, that I would sit in front of an elected body, asking valid questions only to be completely ignored. But unfortunately, situations like these seem to be happening more often in our state and across the country. As a mom looking for answers, I'm grateful to Parents Against Stupid Stuff for giving me a platform to continue to call on Gov. Lamont to investigate Enfield's "Pizza and Consent."

Amanda Marquez is an Enfield mom and spokesperson for Parents Against Stupid Stuff PAC.

God, guns, forced birth, and strongmen



Robert Reich

The link is tightening between America's move toward theocracy and its slide toward autocracy.

It is important to understand these connections. The Supreme Court's overturning of Roe, its expanded reading of the Second Amendment, and its eagerness to elevate religious freedom over the Constitution's guarantee against established religion come from the same cloth as Republican state legislative attacks on democracy, the GOP's fealty to Trump's Big Lie, and white supremacy.

At the Faith & Freedom Coalition's Road to Majority conference in Nashville last month, speakers explicitly embraced the theology of "Dominionism" — the idea that "right-thinking" Christians have a biblically derived mandate to take control of all aspects of government and society.

Trump's keynote at the conference made the connections explicit. He warned that the "radical Left" is "trying to destroy organized religion" and "trying to shred our Constitution," and continued: "The greatest danger to America is not our enemies from the outside, as powerful as they may be. The greatest danger to America is the destruction of our nation from the people from within. And you know the people I'm talking about."

Other speakers labeled Democrats "evil," "tyrannical" and "the enemy within," and charged that Democrats were engaged in "a war against the truth." Senator Rick Scott of Florida predicted "the backlash is coming. Just mount up and ride to the sounds of the guns, and they are all over this country. It is time to take this country back."

Lt. Gov. Mark Robinson of North Carolina (the state's first Black lieutenant governor and a virulent critic of so-called "critical race theory") said he expected "a pitched battle to literally save this nation."



Former U.S. President Donald Trump gives a thumbs-up as he finishes addressing a "Save America" rally at York Family Farms on Aug. 21, 2021, in Cullman, Alabama. **AP**

Referencing a passage from Ephesians that Christian nationalists often use to signal their militancy, Robinson added, "I don't know about you, but I got my pack on, I got my boots on, I got my helmet on, I've got on the whole armor."

The connections between these strands of rightwing ideology are growing clearer and louder: theocratic Christianity, gun violence, the subjugation of women through forced birth, and strongman authoritarianism. Christian nationalism now taking over the Republican Party envisions vigilante justice — "good guys with guns," neighbors eavesdropping on neighbors, and action to stop what they call "abortion trafficking" (women crossing state lines to access legal abortions). Widespread access to guns is essential to keep everyone under control, suppress protests, and fuel fear.

To call this a "culture" war is to understate its true meaning and potential danger. Those of us who still believe in separating church and state, guarding reproductive rights, ensuring racial equality, ending gun violence, and protecting

democracy must understand that much of the Republican Party now stands for the exact opposite of these values.

The funders and kingmakers of the Republican Party see all this for what it is: an effort to hold on to power in the face of massive demographic shifts toward women (who now constitute 60% of all university enrollees, and therefore the future power structure) and people of color, and away from formal religion. Over the longer term, the Republican Party is doomed. In the meantime, with a right-wing majority on the Supreme Court, legislative majorities in states determined to suppress votes and dominate election machinery, an authoritarian strongman president waiting in the wings, and an ideology of Christian nationalism, the GOP will do what it can to hold on.

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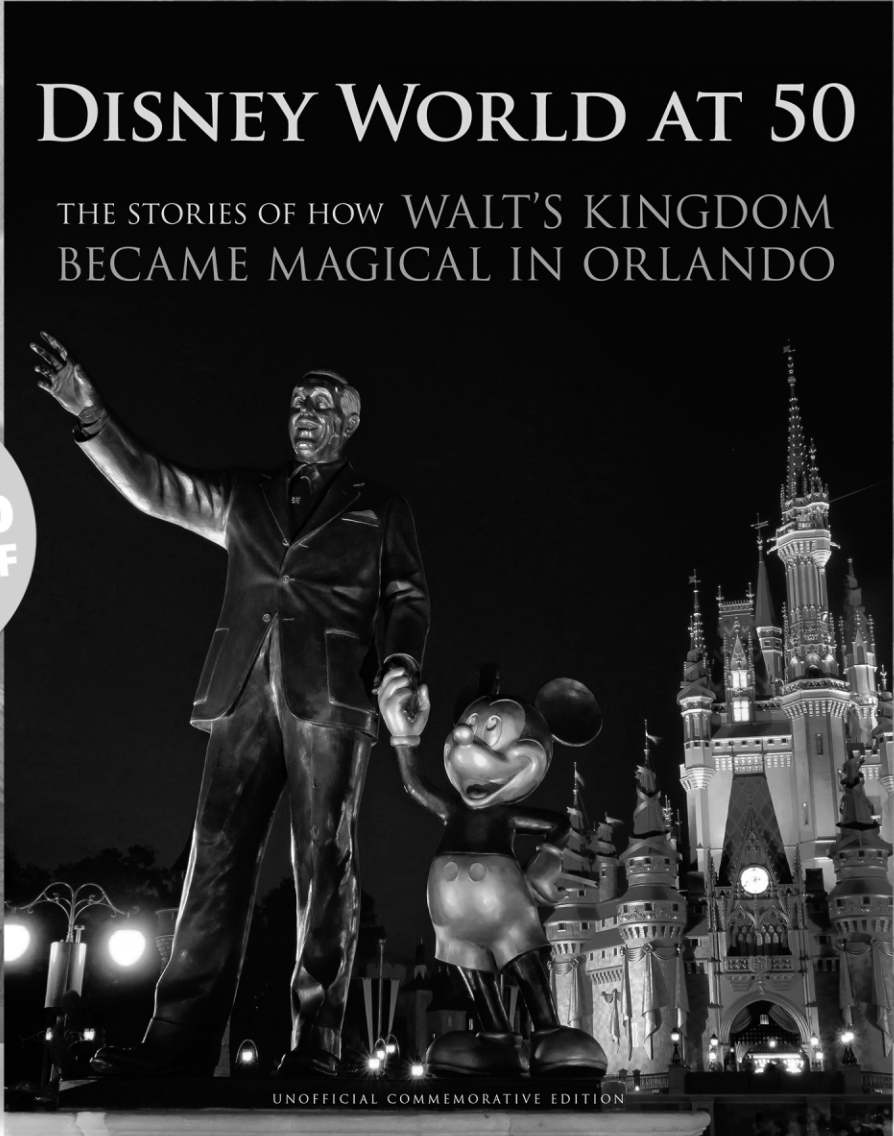
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A London woman travels to Paris to obtain a Dior gown in "Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris." LIAM DANIEL/FOCUS FEATURES PHOTOS

Dior dreams drive ‘Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris’

Fashion house opens archives to help film re-create ‘50s gowns

By Lindsey Bahr
Associated Press

In “Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris,” a middle-aged woman of very limited means in post-World War II London dreams of owning a Christian Dior gown.

In 1957, however, at the height of Dior’s New Look renown, this was not a straightforward proposition. There was no London store or catalog to order from. There wouldn’t even be a ready to wear line for another 10 years. Everything was custom made couture. The only way Ada Harris could own one herself, as the title suggests, was to drop in on the House of Dior at 30 Avenue de Montaigne.

The film, now in theaters, is a colorful, romantic fairy tale starring Lesley Manville as Mrs. Harris, a war widow who only discovers Dior while cleaning one of her wealthy clients’ homes, and Isabelle Huppert as the snobbish gatekeeper Madame Colbert, who bristles at the idea of a woman like Ada



Lesley Manville stars as Ada Harris in Anthony Fabian’s film.

“It is a little bit of a Cinderella slipper of a role. It’s not going to fit many people.”

— Director Anthony Fabian on on who would play Mrs. Ada Harris

wearing Dior. It is, director Anthony Fabian hopes, a film that will delight and inspire audiences not just for its aspirational qualities but for the dignity with which it treats its heroine.

“I think everyone has an aspiration for something that seems unattainable,” Fabian said. “We are very ground down by a very complicated time that we’re living in right now, and some-

thing that offers the possibility that you can fulfill your dreams is a very uplifting message.”

Fabian had been introduced to the story about a decade ago. He wasn’t familiar with Paul Gallico’s 1958 book (“Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris”) or the Angela Lansbury, Omar Sharif and Diana Rigg TV movie from 1992, but a producer thought of him to direct. As someone who has lived in both Paris and London, he knew he could bring something unique to the story. When the rights to the book lapsed, Fabian picked them up and started on his own version of the script, which would elevate the story from just being about a dress to one that’s about a woman who society disregards getting a second chance at life and love.

“It doesn’t really explain why Mrs. Harris wants this dress, other than in the most frivolous and superficial terms — it had to be more profound,” Fabian said. “I wanted to suggest that Ada Harris’ heart is healed by going on this journey.”

But it was all going to hinge on who would play Mrs. Ada Harris, and Manville was, for him, the perfect combination of character actor and leading lady. “It is a little bit of a Cinderella slipper of a role,” he said.

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Toccara Cash, left, and Phoebe Robinson play best friends and produce a podcast. VANESSA CLIFTON/FREEFORM

TV REVIEW

Phoebe Robinson stars as messy podcaster in ‘Everything’s Trash’

By Nina Metz
Chicago Tribune

Smart, young, single and messy. It’s a genre that spans everything from “Breakfast at Tiffany’s” to “Fleabag” to “Bridget Jones’s Diary” to “Chewing Gum” to “Broad City” to “Insecure” to the criminally underseen “Sort Of” and “We Are Lady Parts,” both of which were renewed for a second season earlier this year.

Joining that pantheon with well-earned confidence is “Everything’s Trash,” starring Phoebe Robinson as a Brooklyn

podcaster whose foot takes up near-permanent residence in her mouth. But she has such a shrugging, good-natured attitude about it all — and she’s funny — that even when she tests the patience of those around her, no one’s holding a grudge for long.

The podcast is a framing device, much like Jerry’s stand-up on “Seinfeld,” with the bulk of each episode devoted to Phoebe-as-chaos-agent in her nonwork life. She has a boxful of bills that are past due, much to the consternation of her roommate (Moses Storm), and a bougie

brother with political ambitions (Jordan Carlos) who may or may not see his campaign hampered by Phoebe’s disastrous instincts.

More than anything, we see how Phoebe’s freewheeling and self-assured persona belies more private insecurities — she’s mostly upbeat about them, but they’re there nevertheless — and it’s a cunning portrayal of an increasingly common disconnect between what people present to the world (on social media or elsewhere) and what their lives

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NOW PLAYING

Reviews of movies showing in theaters or streaming online

‘DON’T MAKE ME GO’: A father-daughter road trip that navigates between comedy and drama, “Don’t Make Me Go” has a lot of the right components. A likable cast. A story grounded in realism and human-scaled stakes. It’s not an unpleasant film, by any means. But it’s not one that makes a case for itself, either. John Cho plays a single father named Max. He finds out he has a tumor near his brain that’s fatal if left untreated. His chances aren’t good even if he does have the surgery to remove it. Not ready to break the news to his 15-year-old daughter, Wally, played by Mia Isaac, he decides to take her on a cross-country road trip instead. Streaming on Amazon Prime Video. 1:49. 2 stars. — *Nina Metz, Chicago Tribune*

‘ELVIS’: Why hasn’t there been a great Elvis biopic yet? Well, Austin Butler wasn’t around to star as the King of Rock ‘n’ Roll. At the center of Baz Luhrmann’s sprawling pop epic “Elvis,” a film as opulent and outsize as the King’s talent and taste, Butler delivers a fully transformed, fully committed and star-making turn as Elvis Presley. The rumors are true: Elvis lives, in Austin Butler. Swirling around Butler’s bravura performance is a manic, maximalist, chopped-and-screwed music biopic, in which Luhrmann locates Elvis as the earth-shaking inflection point between the ancient and the modern, the carnival and the TV screen, a figure of pure spectacle who threatened to obliterate the status quo — and did. Luhrmann takes Elvis Presley’s legacy, relegated to a Las Vegas gag, and reminds us just how dangerous, sexy and downright revolutionary he once was. He makes Elvis relevant again. 2:39. 3 ½ stars. — *Katie Walsh, Tribune News Service*

‘JURASSIC WORLD DOMINION’: The “Jurassic Park”/“Jurassic World”

franchise always favored a janky, what-should-we-try-this-time approach. Fans of dinosaurs (and who isn’t?) and the 1993 Steven Spielberg original based on Michael Crichton’s novel, have been forgiving enough to show up for most or all of the sequels, with their new batches of dinosaurs and hilariously secondary humans. As I took my seat for a recent preview screening of “Jurassic World Dominion,” the family on my left was debating which was the worst in the series so far: the second movie in the first trilogy or the second in the second. Well, it’s neither. I’m afraid it’s this new one, “Jurassic World Dominion,” and neither its blobby story structure nor a frenetic running time of nearly two and a half hours (longest in the franchise) is the problem, really. The problem is filmmaking craft, and how little director Colin Trevorrow (who made “Jurassic World”) brings to bear on the project. Something’s off here, all the way through the film’s warring personalities and wan subplots. The results may enjoy a big haul this summer, given the film’s nostalgic Grand Finale trappings and the melding of the first trilogy’s headliners — Sam Neill, Laura Dern and Jeff Goldblum — with the second trilogy’s nominal leads. But you know how it is with brand-name blockbusters. Whether they personally bust your blocks means nothing. The IP is everything. 2:27. 2 stars. — *Michael Phillips, Chicago Tribune*

‘MINIONS: THE RISE OF GRU’: I could not possibly begin to explain just how these hot dog-shaped, banana-hued, gibberish-speaking overlords came to infiltrate our culture at every level. The grasp these inexplicable animated creatures hold on cinema is insidious, and they continue their reign in their latest cinematic



Daisy Edgar-Jones and Harris Dickinson in “Where the Crawdads Sing,” a film adaptation of the Delia Owens novel of the same name. **MICHELE K. SHORT/SONY PICTURES**

dispatch, “Minions: The Rise of Gru.” They’ve overthrown their masters in the “Despicable Me” franchise, wrestling top billing away for themselves. “The Rise of Gru” is just another “Despicable Me” movie, a supervillain origin story for beaky-nosed, scarf-wearing, evil aspirant Gru (Steve Carell). 1:27. 1 star. — *Katie Walsh*

‘MRS. HARRIS GOES TO PARIS’: This is the latest screen adaptation of the 1958 Paul Gallico novel, about a humble London war widow getting by as a charwoman (though I don’t believe the new film calls her that). Ada Harris dreams of luxury, for once, before it’s too late. Her story is a daydream made real, about traveling to the home of the House of Dior and coming home with something nice. The inciting plot incident remains the same. When Harris spies one of her regular cleaning clients’ Dior dress, the sight takes her breath away. Her life immediately transforms into a single, pricey long shot: Saving enough money to fund a quick flight to Paris, where she will buy a single Dior dress and return home in a

dreamy Cinderella state of mind. The lives she transforms en route, by way of compassion and beguiling effrontery, are many and grateful. 1:55. 2 ½ stars. — *Michael Phillips*

‘THOR: LOVE AND THUNDER’: This is co-writer and director Taika Waititi’s aggressively nutty follow-up to “Thor: Ragnarok” (2017). That film zapped up Thor’s corner of the Marvel Cinematic Universe enough to justify more of the same. “Love and Thunder” establishes in the prologue the latest threat to intergalactic extinction: an ordinary soul on a planet far, far away, played by Christian Bale, wandering with his daughter in the desert. He suffers a grievous loss and then transforms into Gorr, the God Butcher, hellbent on wiping out those privileged paragons who, in this outing, forsake mere mortals left, right and center. Chris Hemsworth’s Thor is learning, uneasily, to be a more progressive and empathic specimen of godly hunk, a team player instead of a solo act. The storyline concerns, among other things, the children of New Asgard, swept up and

kidnapped by Gorr. Their rescue leads the A-team straight to the enemy. 2:05. 2 ½ stars. — *Michael Phillips*

‘TOP GUN: MAVERICK’: It couldn’t outmaneuver the pandemic enemy that delayed its release for two years, but “Top Gun: Maverick” can’t lose, really. It’s a pretty good time, and often a pretty good movie. It’s cozy. And it’ll be catnip for those eager to watch Tom Cruise flash That Look. What is That Look? It’s the half-smile of insubordination when a superior officer (Ed Harris or Jon Hamm this time) busts test pilot and congenital speed-needer Capt. Pete “Maverick” Mitchell’s chops, ineffectively. It’s The Look that goes with an eternally boyish voice and demeanor. Capt. Mitchell, who lives alone in the desert with his beloved Kawasaki motorcycle, is called to a new and time-sensitive duty by his old cohort Iceman (Val Kilmer), now a U.S. Pacific Fleet commander. Maverick has three weeks to train a group of new Top Gun aces to destroy a uranium enrichment plant in an unspecified but assuredly Slavic location. One of the trainees is

Bradley “Rooster” Bradshaw (Miles Teller), the grudge-laden son of Maverick’s late radar intercept officer, Goose, played by Anthony Edwards back when. It’s silly-rousing enough to satisfy younger and older audiences alike. It may help to have hated the original, but I liked this one, even though it’s not so very different from the first. Thirty-six years from now, we’ll probably be watching Cruise teaching a new cadre of flying aces. Only the planet will have changed. 2:17. 3 stars. — *Michael Phillips*

‘WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING’: In 2018, retired zoologist Delia Owens, the author of the bestselling 1984 memoir “Cry of the Kalahari,” published her first novel at age 69. “Where the Crawdads Sing” is set on the North Carolina coast in the 1950s and 60s, threading romance and murder mystery through the life story of a young, isolated woman, Kya, who grows up abandoned in the marsh. The story is a bit far-fetched, the characterizations broad, but there’s a beauty in Owens’ description of Kya’s relationship to the natural world. Her derisive nickname, “the marsh girl,” ultimately becomes her strength. The film is easily slotted into the Southern Gothic courtroom drama subgenre — it’s like “A Time to Kill” with a feminine touch. While the nature of adaptation requires compression and elision, the film dutifully tells the story that fans of the book will turn out to see brought to life on the big screen. But in checking off all the plot points, the movie version loses what makes the book work, which is the time we spend with our heroine, Kya. 2:05. 2 stars. — *Katie Walsh*

RATINGS: The movies listed are rated according to the following key: 4 stars, excellent; 3 stars, good; 2 stars, fair; 1 star, poor.



John Cho as Max and Mia Isaac as Wally star in “Don’t Make Me Go.” **AMAZON STUDIOS**

‘DON’T MAKE ME GO’ ★★

Cho drives quippy — if aimless — dad-daughter road trip dramedy

By Nina Metz
Chicago Tribune

A father-daughter road trip that navigates between comedy and drama, “Don’t Make Me Go” has a lot of the right components. A likable cast. A story grounded in realism and human-scaled stakes. It’s not an unpleasant film, by any means. But it’s not one that makes a case for itself, either. John Cho plays a single father named Max. He finds out he has a tumor near his brain that’s fatal if left untreated. His chances aren’t good even if he has the surgery to remove it. Not ready to break the news to his 15-year-old daughter, Wally, played by Mia Isaac, he decides to take her on a cross-country road trip instead. She thinks she’s being dragged to his college reunion — don’t make me go, comes the heaving sigh of an exasperated teen — but his secret plan is to track down his long estranged ex-wife, who is Wally’s mother. If he dies, Max has no other family or friends who might be potential guardians to Wally, so the trip obviously has a larger purpose; a parent who left when their only child was just a baby might not be an ideal candidate for Max and Wally’s dilemma.

But it’s the best idea Max can come up with. So they hit the road in search of Mama. It’s a formula built for all kinds of bonding moments, but that’s not really what transpires. Max and Wally have an easygoing comfort level but are quick to get on each other’s nerves. All of it falls within the bounds of a fairly average, mostly functional parent-child relationship, which neither deepens nor changes over the course of the film. Sometimes their quipiness sits awkwardly within the naturalistic drama of it all. Their cross-country trek is punctuated by various stops along the way. The emotional beats aren’t overworked, but there’s a distinct aimlessness here as well, and too often “Don’t Make Me Go” (directed by Hannah Marks from a script by Vera Herbert) feels like it’s sleepwalking through its own story. The performances are honest and true and that gives things a considerable boost. Isaac was 16 when she made the movie (she’s 18 now) and this kind of fidelity in casting makes a difference. She’s believably a high school age kid who is willful and mildly rebellious, but also sweet and sarcastic and funny. In other words: a teenager.

Cho has always been an actor who holds the screen, and here he’s playing a guy who intentionally stripped out all his inconvenient interests long ago in favor of setting up a stable, if solitary, life for himself and Wally. So sure, maybe he has lived a somewhat bland existence. But now he’s *really* worried about Wally’s future without him. His angst about his mortality — and the path left untaken — is left more opaque. For most of the film, Wally is in the dark about all of it. That’s the primary tension — what happens when she finds out? — but the resolution has a twist. And it’s one that managed to put a lump in my throat, though it didn’t feel especially well-earned. Maybe it’s fitting that the 1971 song “Lake Shore Drive” by Aliotta Haynes Jeremiah plays over the end credits. Few songs have lyrics so explicitly about Chicago, and yet Max and Wally’s car trip never comes within 50 miles of Illinois, let alone the city itself, which makes the song’s inclusion a complete non sequitur. Like so many moments in the movie itself, it feels like a placeholder for an idea to come later.

Where to watch: Amazon Prime Video

Dior

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“It’s not going to fit many people.” The House of Dior even agreed to help by opening their archives and supplying blueprints for its original townhouse and atelier, which were re-created in detail by the production. But it would take some postwar scrappiness to bring it to life on a limited budget during the early days of the pandemic, including doing much of the filming in Budapest. It helped that Fabian was able to enlist some of the top film craftspeople in the world, including costume designer Jenny Beavan and production designer Luciana Arrighi. Both women are Oscar winners who met on the set of James Ivory’s “Howards End” and went on to work together many more times including on “The Remains of the Day” and “Sense and Sensibility.” In the 1960s, Arrighi was a model for Yves Saint Laurent for several years and brought with her an intimate understanding of

the world of mid-century haute couture. “Luci has always had the most divine taste,” Fabian said. “She was the one who said, ‘I think Jenny’s the right person for this.’ It is a bit of a costume designer’s dream. I was able to aim quite high.” Beavan, who has won Oscars for “A Room with a View,” “Mad Max: Fury Road” and, earlier this year, “Cruella,” had also worked with Manville before and thought “Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris” was “just the most charming story.” “I just love characters,” Beavan said. “I don’t mind whether they’re cleaners or Dior models.” But, she said, she was, “slightly seduced into thinking that Dior would be doing the Dior part of it.” When Beavan mentioned this after a “beautiful afternoon” exploring the Dior archives and meeting with their chief curator, she was met with a horrified “non, non!” Beavan and her team, including a fellow Merchant Ivory veteran John Bright and

her “Cruella” collaborator Jane Law, would be the ones making the dresses. Physical dresses from that era of Dior are scarce, however, and Beavan had to rely on photos, drawings and several reproductions made in the ‘80s and ‘90s for reference. The gowns called Dior Diablotine and Miss Dior would be the inspiration behind the scarlet and emerald frocks that catch Mrs. Harris’ eye in Paris. Getting hold of enough fabric was tricky, though. With lockdowns and travel restrictions and zero costume houses in Budapest, they relied on samples in the mail, zoom approvals and friends in Paris to help fit their French cast. “I felt a lot of pressure because we had so little money to do it all, and yet we were recreating a very high fashion moment. I just wanted to honor Dior. I wanted to make sure that they felt what we were recreating was very possible,” Beavan said. “In the end we did make it, Dior approved of it and couldn’t have been more helpful all the way.”

Robinson

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are actually like. One episode addresses this head-on when a digital outlet wants to feature Phoebe in a photo shoot, and she thereafter spirals, hilariously, trying to embody a luxury lifestyle that has little relation to her own reality. It’s a premise that winningly undercuts all the expectations leveled at people with public-facing careers; most don’t have access to stylists or an expensive-looking home, but the pressure is *there*. The show is loosely inspired by Robinson’s essay collection “Everything’s Trash, But It’s Okay,” but she may be better known from her podcast with Jessica Williams called “2 Dope Queens.” As a solo act, Robinson has more than enough charisma and the right comedy chops to carry a show (she is an executive producer here as well), and the writing is full of the kinds of jokey random detours that made me laugh. Phoebe’s not even close to getting her act together. She may be a disaster, but not tragically so. She’s mildly worried about it (those bills haunt her like a monster under the bed) but not enough to let it radically alter her innate messiness. The showrunner is Jonathan Groff — not *that* Jonathan Groff — and his writing credits include “How I Met Your Mother,” “Happy Endings” and “black-ish.” You can see the care given to finding a tone that’s smart-alecky without being glib. Self-deprecation and

slivers of vulnerability go a long way. But so does the show’s lightness. Mostly, Phoebe is unbothered — and she’s not wrong. If you can’t find the humor in dysfunction, you might as well pack it in. And it’s to Robinson’s credit that everyone here is allowed to be funny, even Carlos as a fictional version of her straight-laced sibling. “Your sister just hung up on me!” his wife says in astonishment after a disagreement. Yeah, that’s kind of our family thing, he explains nonchalantly. “It’s how we know we love each other.” He pauses for a perfectly timed moment. “That actually reminds me, I owe her a hang-up.” In comedy, timing is everything.

Where to watch: Wednesdays on Freeform; streaming next day on Hulu

CELEBRITIES

Lopez, Affleck wed at Vegas chapel

From news services

Jennifer Lopez and Ben Affleck were wed in a late-night Las Vegas drive-thru chapel, culminating a relationship that stretched over two decades in two separate romances and headlined countless tabloid covers.

Lopez announced their marriage Sunday in her newsletter for fans with the heading, “We did it.” Lopez initially made their engagement public in April on the same newsletter, “On the J Lo.”

“Love is beautiful. Love is kind. And it turns out love is patient. Twenty years patient,” wrote Lopez in a message signed Jennifer Lynn Affleck.

Lopez wrote that the couple flew to Las Vegas on Saturday and were wed just after midnight at A Little White Wedding Chapel.

“Stick around long enough and maybe you’ll find the best moment of your life in a drive through in Las Vegas at 12:30 in the morning in the tunnel of love drive through with your kids and the one you’ll spend forever with,” said Lopez.

News of their nuptials first spread Sunday after the Clark County clerk’s office in Nevada showed that the pair obtained a marriage license that was processed Saturday. The license filing showed that Lopez plans to take the name Jennifer Affleck.

Lopez, 52, and Affleck, 49, dated in the early 2000s before rekindling their romance last year.

Affleck married Jennifer Garner in 2005. They share three children and divorced in 2018.

Lopez was married to Ojani Noa from 1997 to 1998 and to Cris Judd from 2001 to 2003. She and singer Marc Anthony were married for a decade after they wed in 2004 and share twins together.



Jennifer Lopez, seen with Ben Affleck on Feb. 8, announced their marriage on Sunday. **FRAZER HARRISON/GETTY**

Chainsmokers to play at edge of space: The Chainsmokers has signed up to get into a pressurized capsule tethered to a stratospheric balloon in a few years and perform some 20 miles above the Earth. The feat would make the hit-making duo of Drew Taggart and Alex Pall the first musical artists to perform at the edge of space, said Ryan Hartman, chief executive officer at space tourism company World View. World View says the Chainsmokers will be on one of the company’s inaugural flights slated for 2024 and will record a performance from inside the capsule, giving viewers the ability to experience the music and the trip firsthand.

“We have always dreamed of going to space and are stoked to collaborate with World View to have this adventure and experience,” said the Chainsmokers in a statement.

Bloom, Pharos to co-host audiobook: Rachel Bloom, the star of “Crazy Ex-Girlfriend,” and Jay Pharoah, the former “Saturday Night Live” performer, will serve as co-hosts of the upcoming audiobook release “Kiss & Tell: Stand Up and Stories About Love, Sex, Etc.” The book draws from a special taping last year in Los Angeles, with guest comics including Danielle Perez, the Sklar Brothers and Chinedu Unaka. “Kiss & Tell” comes out Sept. 20, through Kevin Hart’s media company Hartbeat, in partnership with Simon & Schuster Audio.

July 19 birthdays: Actor Helen Gallagher is 96. Guitarist Brian May is 75. Guitarist Bernie Leadon is 75. Actor Beverly Archer is 74. Actor Anthony Edwards is 60. Singer Urs Buhler is 51. Actor Benedict Cumberbatch is 46. Chef Marcela Valladolid is 44. Actor Chris Sullivan is 42. Actor Jared Padalecki is 40. Actor Trai Byers is 39.



ASK AMY

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Love bomber has powerful epiphany at bar

Dear Amy: I’m a 65-year-old woman. I’ve been divorced three times now, and have also had a couple of other serious love relationships — all unsuccessful.

I’m single now and trying to understand what I’ve been doing wrong.

I’m the one doing the leaving every single time, so my “excuse” has been that I have a “broken picker,” but that sounds like BS — even to me.

I was reading your column and the topic of “love bombing” came up.

That’s me! That’s what I do!

I even caught myself love bombing last week! Some drunken idiot had started flirting with me at a bar, and even as I was thinking to myself “What a fool this guy is,” I was practically fawning over him, doing the whole hanging-on-every-word response.

In that moment, I recognized my pattern of meeting an interested man, “reeling him in” with all that flattery and attention, and then realizing he’s a totally inappropriate fit and discarding him, often only after years of misery.

What is wrong with me and how do I stop?!

I’ve wasted nearly my entire life in this self-sabotaging behavior, and I just want to scream and hang my head in shame.

— Yikes

Dear Yikes: Barroom epiphanies can be extremely powerful, but the point of enlightenment is not to waste time beating up on yourself, but to take the insight forward to make some changes.

You are probably already very charming and appeal-

ing, even when you’re not overwhelming your male prey. My theory is that when you apply your charm with a fire hose, you fall in love — with yourself.

Your behavior seems on the surface to be all about the other person, but it’s really all about you.

I suggest that when you realize that you are actually “enough,” you’ll stop lobbing your love bombs at every man in sight.

Stop doing that, and see how it feels! This would require that you deliberately suppress your charm, stop leaning in, handle the anxiety that goes along with being quiet, and see if you still love yourself if you put the pin back into the love grenade and do more active listening.

Listen to an idiot for five minutes, and you’ll know he’s an idiot. You won’t need to marry him and then reject him years later. In the process, you’ll build up a residual affection for yourself and confidence in your own discernment.

Ask a friend to remind you to reel yourself in. A wingwoman would really help to keep you honest.

Also, need it be said? Therapy.

Dear Amy: I have been struggling with self-harm for several years now.

Every time I get explosively angry, I end up attacking myself (usually by scratching the insides of my arms, or my face/lips with my nails or some other sharp object).

The last time I did this was three days ago, and this time I had to come clean.

I have now finally opened up fully to my partner and to a few of my

friends, and they have been amazing and supportive.

This time I want to stop for good.

Is there anything else I can do to stop myself?

— Want to Stop

Dear Want to Stop: You’ve already taken many positive steps: You understand the pattern when you engage in self-harm. You’ve told people about it. You want to stop.

You can recover. Specialized therapy will help.

It might help you to read more about self-harm in order to fully understand the triggers and response. The Trevor Project has helpful information, as well as a lifeline: [thetrevorproject.org](https://www.thetrevorproject.org).

My friends at Crisis Text Line want you to know that you can text them, 24/7. Texting when you feel the pressure rising can help you to cope with the feeling while avoiding the self-injury.

Text HOME to this number: 741741.

Dear Amy: “Protective Fiancee” told about a female acquaintance aggressively hitting on her fiancé, “George.” I liked your advice until I got to the part where you suggested that she could confront this woman at a Fourth of July party at someone else’s house, and “enjoy the fireworks.” No!

— No Explosions

Dear No: I was being sardonic, and I agree with you.

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Lane Factor, Paulina Alexis, D'Pharaoh Woon-A-Tai and Devery Jacobs in “Reservation Dogs.” **FX**

TV Q&A

Will ‘Reservation Dogs’ return?

By Rich Heldenfels
Tribune News Service

Q: Please tell me there will be a second season of “Reservation Dogs.”

A: There will be a second season of the drama about four teens in Oklahoma who are Indigenous (a term one dictionary defines as “of or relating to the earliest known inhabitants of a place and especially of a place that was colonized by a now-dominant group”). The first season was much acclaimed, for its content and for its cast, writers and directors all being Indigenous. The second season begins Aug. 3 on Hulu.

Q: In the ‘70s, I think, there was a show called “Coronet Blue.” I think it ended after one season, and I never found out the ending, leaving me wondering what the show was about. Do you know?

A: “Coronet Blue” was a 1967 drama on CBS, consisting of 13 episodes, which still has a following. It starred Frank Converse as a man who, after an unsuccessful attempt to kill him, could not remember anything about himself other than the phrase “Coronet Blue.” On the DVD of the series, writer

Larry Cohen said that Converse’s character was in fact a Russian spy, part of a team called Coronet Blue; when he wanted to defect, the spy ring tried to kill him. But Cohen, who did not control the show, said others modified the approach; that and its short run kept it from ever explaining its mystery on the air.

Q: Back in the 1980s, there was a show that was set in Chicago at a bar-restaurant, a rom-com of sorts. The show’s name was a play on the fact that the woman had a nickname that could be either male or female, I believe. I ask because it was part of my impetus for agreeing, when I married my husband in 1988, to move to Chicago as the city was portrayed as such a friendly neighborhood place — and it is. Does this ring any bells for you?

A: You are remembering “Jack and Mike,” a comedy-drama that originally aired on ABC for one season in 1986-87. It starred Shelley Hack and Tom Mason as a married couple: newspaper columnist Jackie Shea (also called Jack) and restaurant owner Mike Brennan. Filmed in Chicago, the series was

“one of several attempts by ABC to produce another young, trendy, romantic drama to follow its established Tuesday night hit ‘Moonlighting,’” says “The Complete Directory to Prime Time Network and Cable TV Shows.” But it did not click with audiences.

Q: I just finished watching “Obi-Wan Kenobi,” and I was wondering if they will make more episodes. The last episode looked like a finale of the series.

A: As of this writing, nothing has been made official about the series getting a second season, but fans are hoping. Although it was announced as a limited series, plenty of “limited” shows have then gone on to make more episodes. And there are ongoing conversations pro and con, with some participants wanting to do more (the star, Ewan McGregor, is reportedly very enthusiastic) and others feeling it is a completed series.

Do you have a question or comment about entertainment past, present and future? Write to Rich Heldenfels, P.O. Box 417, Mogadore, OH 44260, or brenfels@gmail.com. Letters may be edited.

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Aries (March 21-April 19): Starting again may require some bravery. You might be scared. You could worry about potential embarrassment. Have a little more confidence in yourself. Learn from your mistakes. You have this second chance, so grab it.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): A secret you’ve been keeping for a while could be finally ready for freedom. There have been opportunities to share this secret, but you held back for fear of the reactions from others. Keeping this all to yourself was likely a burden, and lifting it off of your shoulders can help. Say what you need to say!

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Presenting your ideas to others can be intimidating. You might have to defend the information that you’ve gathered — even if you do, your listeners could still reject you. This doesn’t reflect on you. Sometimes you’re just not in front of the right audience for your message.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): A past embarrassment could be haunting you. Everyone else may still be focused on it. Laughing it off might be all that you can do, because it’s hard to put the final nail in the coffin. The more of a reaction you give it, the more others could be encouraged to poke fun at it.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On July 19, 1969, Apollo 11 and its astronauts went into orbit around the moon.

In 1980, the Moscow Summer Olympics began, minus dozens of nations

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Shying away from clarity today might create problems for you in the near future. The fear of looking dumb in front of someone can potentially create a confusing situation. Go ahead and risk looking silly in order to find the truth, because you shouldn’t live with a misunderstanding.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Lacking faith in someone could create challenges for you today. It may be necessary to put your trust in someone that you don’t have confidence in, or even in someone who hurt you in the past. Despite your past experiences, you likely don’t have anyone else to rely on at this moment. Just hope for the best.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Any attempts to show someone your worth might trip you up. Your desire to impress someone may cause you to act out of character around them, and you won’t look cool. Show them that you’re interested in what they have to say rather than trying to show off.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Negative habits may be taking a toll on you at the moment. Shallow fun is fine in moderation, but going to extremes can lead you toward some permanent consequences. This could be anything that you allow to take over your life. Work on reducing unhealthy influences.

that were boycotting the games.

In 1990, baseball’s all-time hits leader, Pete Rose, was sentenced to five months in prison for tax evasion.

In 1993, President Bill Clinton announced a policy allowing gays to serve in the military under a compromise dubbed “don’t ask, don’t tell, don’t pursue.”

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Drama may shake the core of a trusted connection without warning. No matter how much faith you had in this person, they could still betray your trust or offend you. Any imbalances in power will need to be rebalanced — and you may not move forward if you can’t agree.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Others might not understand the person you’ve grown to be. Helping the people who love you to comprehend the changes you’ve made to yourself may feel frustrating. Let them know that this is who you are now, and you’d appreciate their acceptance as you accept their own changes.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Communication struggles could arise at any moment. Regardless of how loving your approach is meant to be, they could interpret your well-intentioned statements as an attack. Sometimes our points of view just won’t line up, and you can only express yourself the way you know how.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Balance might be difficult to achieve currently. You may have thought you were standing on a solid base, but when questioned, you realized that the ground wasn’t sturdy. Someone could be challenging you to grow. Allow new information to help improve your knowledge.

In 2006, prosecutors reported that Chicago police beat, kicked, shocked or otherwise tortured scores of Black suspects from the 1970s to the early 1990s to try to extract confessions from them.

In 2020, President Donald Trump refused to publicly commit to accepting the results of the upcoming election.

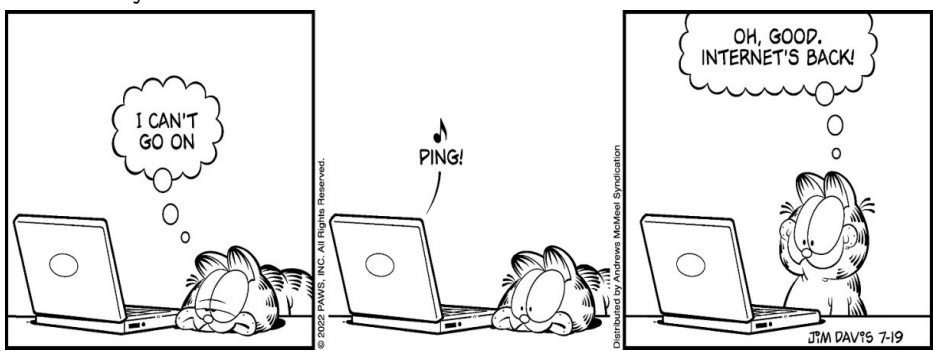
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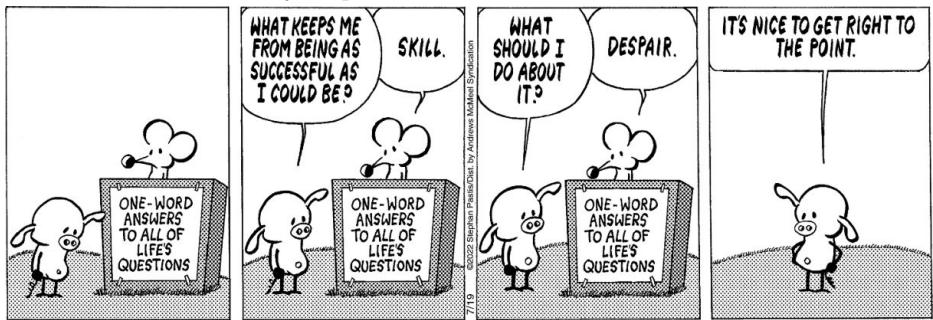
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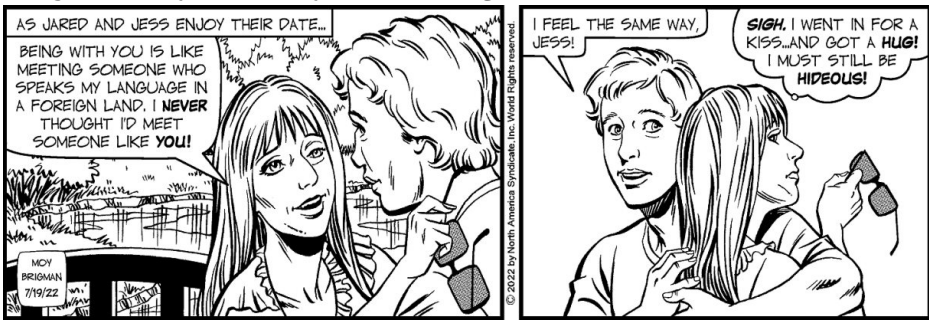
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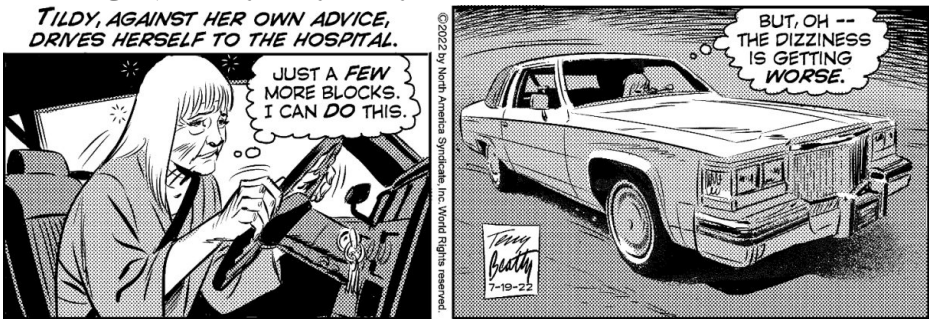
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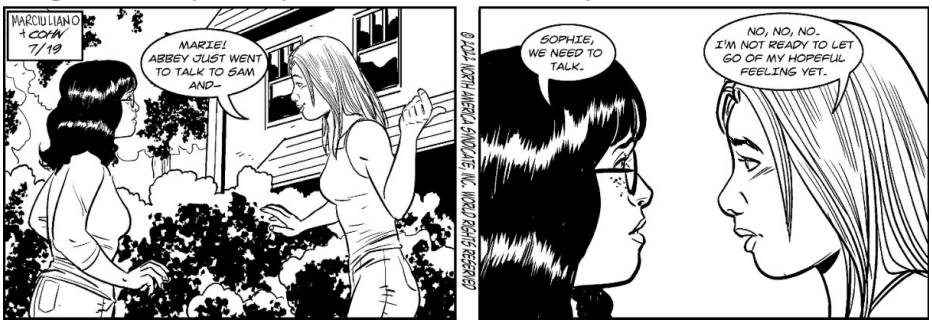
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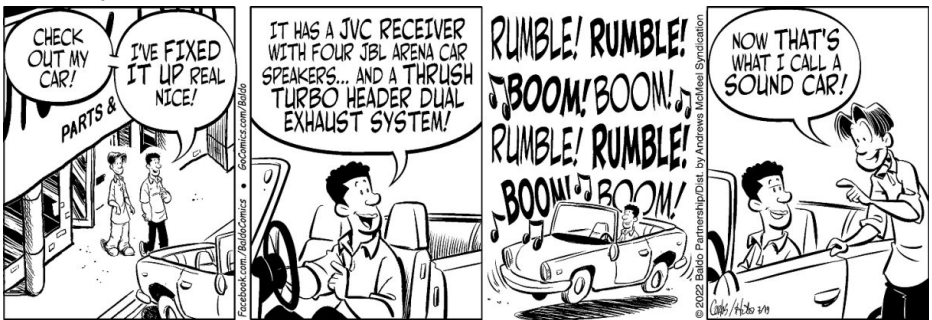
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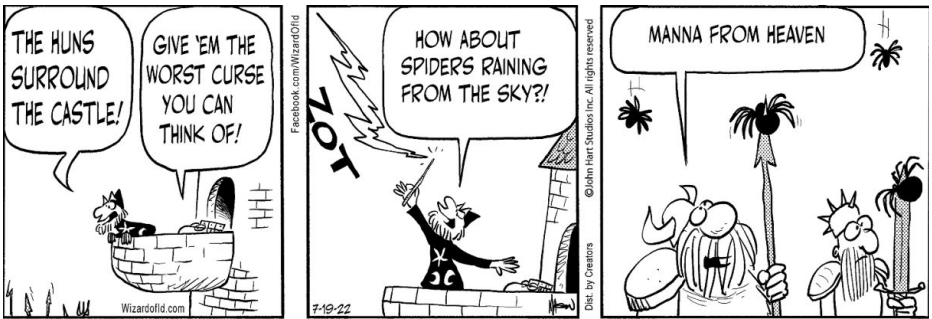
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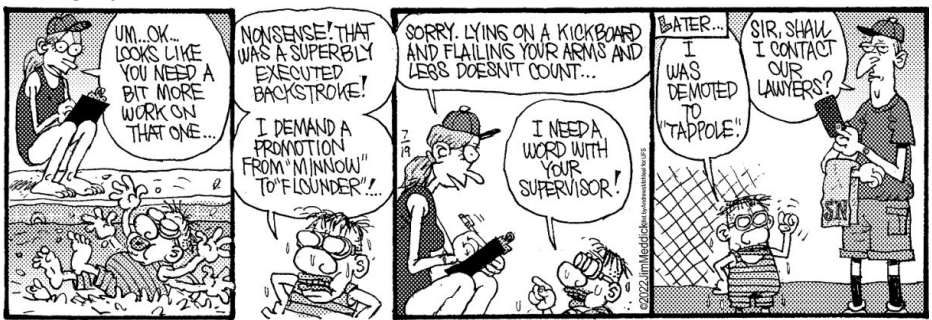
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Office	Party	Candidate	Address
Secretary of the State	Democrat	*Stephanie Thomas	81 William St., Norwalk, CT 06851
Treasurer	Democrat	Maritza Bond	784 Quinnipiac Ave., New Haven, CT 06482
		*Erick Russell	215 Stevenson Rd., New Haven, CT 06515
		Dita Bhargava	502 Cognewaugh Rd., Greenwich, CT 06807
		Karen DuBois-Walton	58 Pearl St., New Haven, CT 06513

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 19th day of July, 2022.

MARK F KOHLER

SECRETARY OF THE STATE

The foregoing is a copy of the notice which I have received from the Office of the Secretary of the State, in accordance with Section 9-433 of the General Statutes. As provided in said notice, a primary of the referenced party for nomination to the state or district offices therein specified will be held on August 9, 2022. The hours of voting at said primary and the location of the polls will be as follows:

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LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES	VOTING DISTRICT
Mortensen Community Center Gym, 200 Garfield Street	1
Ruth L. Chaffee Elementary School, 160 Superior Avenue	2
Newington High School, 605 Willard Avenue	3
Elizabeth Green Elementary School, 30 Thomas Street	4
John Patterson School, 120 Church Street	5
John Wallace Middle School, 71 Halleran Drive	6
Martin Kellogg Middle School, 155 Harding Avenue	7

Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location: Newington Town Hall, 200 Garfield Street, Newington, CT.
Dated at Newington, CT this 19th day of July, 2022.

Attest: James E. Krupiensi, CCTC
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Office	Party	Candidate	Address
US Senator	Republican	*Themis Klarides	66 Governors Way, Madison, CT 06443
		Leora R. Levy	59 Pecksland Rd., Greenwich, CT 06831
		Peter Lumaj	745 Mill Plain Rd., Fairfield, CT 06824

Secretary of the State	Party	Candidate	Address
	Republican	*Dominic Rapini	4 Mariners Way, Branford, CT 06405
		Brock Weber	17 Lancewood Ln., Wolcott, CT 06716
		Terrie E. Wood	50 Saint Nicholas Rd., Darien, CT 06820

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF NEWINGTON TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

This is to give notice that the Newington Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 6:45 PM., in the Town Hall, 200 Garfield Street and through the use of Zoom Webinar software, in accordance with the provisions of the Town Charter, Article IV, Section C-405 & C-406, to receive public comments on the Opt-out provision of CT Public Act 21-29, for Accessory Dwelling Units.

Dated at Newington, CT this 19th day of July, 2022.

Attest: James E. Krupiensi, CCTC
Town Clerk
7/19/22 7253580

Connecticut

TOWN OF GLASTONBURY INVITATION TO BID

BID # GL-2023-16
ITEM Police Department Fuel Station Improvements
DATE & TIME REQUIRED AUGUST 11, 2022 at 11:00 A.M.

The Town of Glastonbury will receive on-line Bids for improvements to the fuel station located at the rear of the Police Department at 2108R Main Street in Glastonbury. Improvements generally include removal of the existing underground fuel tank, installation of a 10,000 gallon above-ground concrete gasoline tank with fueling island, concrete fueling pad, canopy, and associated equipment.
Bidders wishing to submit a bid proposal for this solicitation are directed to respond online through a secure e-Procurement portal. Responses can be submitted at the following link: <https://app.negometrix.com/buyer/2832>, under the bid title "GL-2023-16 - Police Department Fuel Station Improvements". All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. No late bids will be accepted.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on July 28, 2022 at 9:00AM at the project site located at 2108R Main Street Glastonbury, Connecticut. All bidders must attend in order for their bid to be considered. This Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders, Drawings, Specifications and other Bidding Documents (as defined in the Instruction to Bidders) are available for viewing and downloading on the Town of Glastonbury website www.glastonburyct.gov or the State's website at www.das.state.ct.us at no cost.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a bid security in the form of a Bid Bond, certified in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid except as otherwise expressly provided in the Instruction to Bidders. The successful bidder will be required to provide performance and labor and material payment bonds in the full amount of the agreed contract price. Bidders are further advised that this project is subject to the prevailing wage requirements of Connecticut General Statutes Section 31-53.

Bidders are also hereby alerted to the schedule requirements as outlined in Special Conditions Section 11.00.

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HIGH 93°
LOW 71°

WEDNESDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Hazy sunshine, hot and humid.

HIGH 97°
LOW 75°

THURSDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Hazy sunshine, hot and humid, a late day shower or a thunderstorm is possible.

HIGH 95°
LOW 71°

FRIDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Hazy sunshine, hot and humid.

HIGH 93°
LOW 70°

SATURDAY







SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Hazy sunshine, hot and humid, a late day shower or a thunderstorm is possible.

HIGH 93°
LOW 68°

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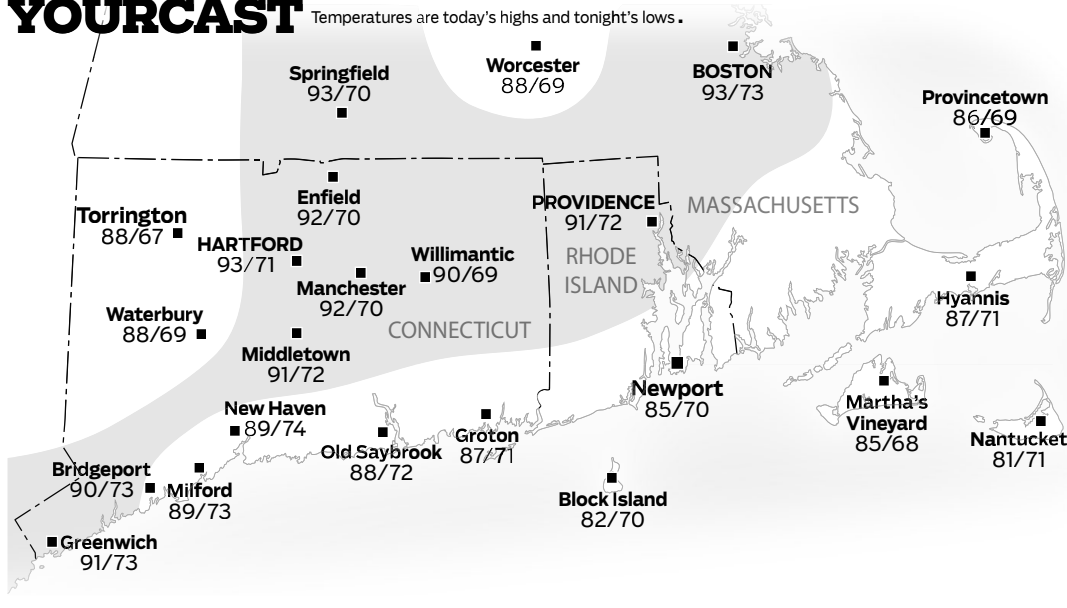
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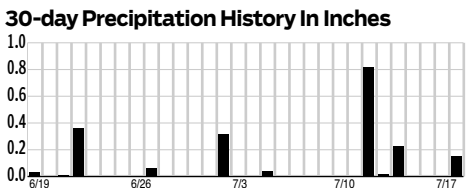
After a rather unsettled day on Monday with rounds of showers and thunderstorms moving through the region, high pressure will bring partly to mostly sunny skies on Tuesday. It will be turning hot inland with highs in the 90s. The shoreline will range from the upper 80s to the lower 90s. It won't be as humid as Monday with dew points mainly in the 60s, although the shoreline will be in the lower 70s at times. Temperatures will increase a few degrees on Wednesday and Thursday. The heat index could be close to 100 degrees on Wednesday and then 105 degrees on Thursday.

-Gary Lessor

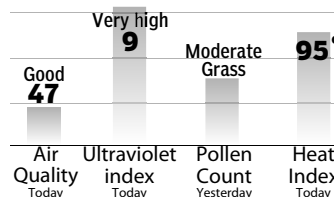
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Precipitation In Inches	Total Normal
Yesterday (by 5 p.m.)	0.15 0.13
Month to date	1.58 2.28
Total this year	21.75 24.45

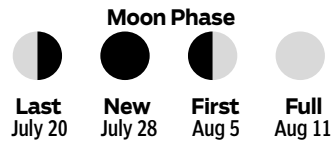
Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks



Air Quality Forecast For Today



	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	5:32 a.m.	5:33 a.m.
Sunset	8:22 p.m.	8:21 p.m.
Moonrise	a.m.	12:04 a.m.
Moonset	12:18 p.m.	1:24 p.m.



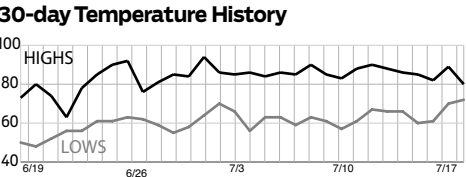
Tides	High	Low	Temp.
N.L. State Pier	2:24 a.m. 3:06 p.m.	9:01 a.m. 9:46 p.m.	71°
Saybrook Jetty	3:35 a.m. 4:17 p.m.	9:54 a.m. 10:39 p.m.	74°
Connecticut River at Portland	6:18 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	1:22 a.m. 1:40 p.m.	
Madison	3:58 a.m. 4:30 p.m.	10:08 a.m. 10:48 p.m.	74°
New Haven	4:18 a.m. 4:50 p.m.	10:32 a.m. 11:12 p.m.	76°
Stamford	4:22 a.m. 4:54 p.m.	10:46 a.m. 11:26 p.m.	75°

River Stage at Hartford: 1.71 feet at 4:30 p.m.

Boating Weather	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B.I. Sound
Wind	W, 10-15	W, 10-15	W, 10-20
Seas	1-2 ft.	2-3 ft.	4-6 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Monday	80 at 11:08 a.m.	72 at 4:25 a.m.
Normal for date	86	64
Record for date	100 in 2012	50 in 1956
A year ago	84	69
Range this year	94	-2

Cooling Degree Days	Season	Normal	Last Season
For Jan 1 - July 18	417	364	430



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	30.02 at 12 a.m.	29.82 at 5 p.m.
Dew point	74° at 11 a.m.	68° at 12 a.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND

Bangor	85 65 PC
Burlington	88 69 PC
Caribou	77 59 SH
Concord	91 67 PC
Montpelier	85 65 PC
Mt. Wash.	56 49 PC
Portland	87 70 PC
Woods Hole	86 71 S

NATION

Albany	88 72 PC
Albuquerque	101 74 PC
Atlantic City	91 70 PC

Baltimore

Baltimore	92 69 PC
Bismarck	77 60 PC
Boise	93 65 S
Buffalo	86 74 PC
Charleston	91 78 T
Cincinnati	87 72 PC
Cleveland	89 73 PC
Indianapolis	90 72 PC
Jacksonville	93 75 PC
Las Vegas	107 87 PC
Miami Beach	88 82 PC
Milwaukee	88 71 PC

Nashville

Nashville	91 75 PC
New Orleans	93 78 PC
New York	92 78 PC
Okla. City	109 79 S
Omaha	95 68 PC
Orlando	94 77 PC
Pittsburgh	89 68 PC
Raleigh	93 73 PC
St. Louis	93 78 PC
Salt Lake City	94 71 PC
San Antonio	103 80 PC
San Diego	75 68 PC

WORLD

San Juan	88 79 SH
Tucson	104 82 S
Buenos Aires	58 48 S
Cairo	104 75 S
Cancun	92 78 PC
Dubai	103 91 PC
Dublin	77 55 C
Edinburgh	85 57 C
Helsinki	70 53 SH
Hong Kong	86 78 SH
Istanbul	83 69 S
Jerusalem	88 69 S
Johannesburg	61 45 S
Bermuda	84 78 PC

Kingston

Kingston	90 75 PC
Lisbon	81 63 S
London	101 66 S
Madrid	94 68 S
Mexico City	77 54 SH
Milan	98 76 S
Montreal	81 69 SH
Moscow	70 55 PC
Nassau	87 81 S
New Delhi	99 83 SH
Paris	104 67 S
Prague	91 62 S
Rio de Janeiro	77 69 PC
Rome	96 72 S
Seoul	89 72 PC
Singapore	90 79 SH

Stockholm

Stockholm	75 56 PC
Sydney	60 53 SH
Tel Aviv	90 75 S
Tokyo	86 76 SH
Toronto	84 73 SH
Vancouver	73 58 PC
Warsaw	84 60 PC

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MLB DRAFT

Giants grab former UConn star Crawford in 1st round

By Dom Amore
Hartford Courant

Reggie Crawford wore a 15-year-old San Francisco All-Star Game jacket, a gift from his uncle, and his trademark grin as he greeted reporters Sunday night as a member of the San Francisco Giants.

“I’m extremely happy with how the night went,” Crawford said, after the Giants took him at the end of the first round of the MLB

draft, 30th overall. “Going into it, I was hearing everything. There was a ton of noise. I was just taking it minute by minute, and they were slow minutes, but it was really fun.”

Crawford, who hit monster home runs for UConn and blew scouts away with a 101 mph fast-ball last summer, was a bit of a mystery going into the draft, especially after he announced last week he was transferring to Tennessee. But he cleared things up about his future plans, and the Giants’ plans

for him.

“I’m 100 percent going to sign [with the Giants],” Crawford said.

The “slot value” assigned to the 30th pick, where he was taken, is \$2.485 million.

Also, Crawford indicated he will try to be a “two-way” player. The Giants announced him as such when they made the pick, and have told him he can try to do both at the start of his pro career

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Former UConn star Reggie Crawford, a two-way player, was drafted by the Giants on Sunday night. COURANT FILE PHOTO

YANKEES



Aaron Judge is chasing Roger Maris' Yankees record of 61 home runs in a season. He'll need 29 in the final 70 games to reach 62. ELSA/GETTY

Halftime adjustments

Five key questions facing the Yankees in the second half as they chase first title since 2009

By Matthew Roberson
New York Daily News

There hasn’t been much to fret about on 161st Street in the Bronx this summer. The Yankees have already run away with the division lead while employing the likely MVP and one of the league’s best pitching staffs.

Still, none of that will matter if the club falls short of its singular goal: the first World Series championship since 2009. Before they can worry about that, though, the Yankees have a few questions to address:

Is the Severino injury serious? A strain in his right lat muscle knocked Severino out of the Yankees’ rotation just before the All-Star break. On Saturday, manager Aaron Boone said Severino won’t throw a baseball for at least two weeks, meaning he’ll miss a few starts after the break as well.

While the Yankees’ 13-game lead in the American League East provides a lot of regular season



Yankees right-hander Luis Severino, center, out with a lat strain, won’t throw a baseball for at least two weeks, manager Aaron Boone said Saturday. FRANK FRANKLIN II/AP

leeway, Severino is hugely important to their grander aspirations. Heading into a playoff series with a determined Gerrit Cole, a rejuvenated Severino and the even-

keeled Jordan Montgomery should provide some confidence.

Nestor Cortes Jr. and Jameson Taillon are both very good at times — and for Cortes, the first-time

All-Star, those good times have far outweighed the bad this year — but fatigue is a worry for him while Taillon struggled down the stretch last season in his first pennant race.

The Yankees either need to make sure that Severino can be a full go in the games that actually matter, or upgrade the rotation as a precaution. Severino has an up-and-down postseason history but absolutely possesses the stuff and attitude to handle the bright lights. If he’s fully healthy by autumn, the Yankees are in good hands. If not, they have a potentially exploitable hole.

Which relievers can be trusted in October? On the Yankees’ active roster (injured veterans Zack Britton and Chad Green don’t count), Aroldis Chapman and Jonathan Loaisiga are the only relievers with more than two innings of postseason experience. Unfortunately for the Yankees, both Chapman and Loaisiga have fallen down the

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RED SOX
COMMENTARY

Sale injury lame excuse for Sox to sell at trade deadline

By Jason Mastrodonato
Boston Herald

Sorry, but this can’t be how Xander Bogaerts’ career with the Red Sox comes to an end.

It doesn’t matter that Chris Sale walked off the Yankee Stadium mound holding his freshly-broken pinkie high in the air for all to see. Whether or not he pitches again this year is to be determined.

The Red Sox have been in playoff contention without winning a single game that Sale has pitched, and they can be in playoff contention again while Sale rehabs his fourth significant injury in the last four years.

If Rafael Devers was out for the year, different story. But this team is deeper than Sale. It has proven that. And while a healthy and effective ace of his stature would’ve surely catapulted the Red Sox from wild-card contenders to legitimate threats to unseat the Yankees and Astros as the class of the American League, it’s too late to give up on this team now.

Sure, the Red Sox limped into the All-Star break while going 6-14 over their final 20 games and 0-10-1 in series against AL East opponents.

Their performance this weekend was embarrassing as they were outscored 27-3 in their final two games and struck out a season-high 16 times on Sunday.

If Sale, who had surgery Monday, is out for a significant period, it’s going to be a grind for the Red Sox to outlast the Rays, Blue Jays, Mariners, Guardians, White Sox and, yes, the Orioles to capture one of the three wild-card spots.

So be it. Baseball is a grind. Yeah, the Red Sox got kicked in the teeth this weekend. They got shown up by the Rays and Yankees thanks largely to terrible defense, a lack of focus and some poor pitching performances.

It would be asinine to conclude that the Red Sox can contend with the Yankees and Astros right now. But at this point in the franchise’s arc, as it’s coming down from the 2018 high but still loaded with talent on a roster that will cost John Henry and Co. more than \$200 million this year, selling cannot be an option.

The Red Sox had two bad weeks and now the season is over? That’s not how baseball works.

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BASEBALL

US senators ask MLB why antitrust exemption needed in minors

By Rondald Blum
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Leaders of the Senate Judiciary Committee have asked baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred to explain the impact of potential legislation stripping the sport’s antitrust exemption from covering the sport’s relationship with minor league players.

Sen. Richard Durbin, an Illinois Democrat who chairs the committee, and Charles Grassley, an Iowa Republican who is the ranking minority member, sent the letter Monday and asked Manfred to

respond by July 26 to a series of questions that could be a prelude to proposed legislation further limiting an exemption created by a 1922 Supreme Court decision.

“Your answers will help inform the Senate Judiciary Committee’s analysis of the necessity of this century-old exemption,” said the letter, also signed by Sen. Richard Blumenthal, a Democrat from Connecticut, and Sen. Mike Lee, a Republican from Utah.

The letter is the next step after a similar request for information the four senators sent last month to an advocacy group for minor

leaguers. The executive director of the nonprofit Advocates for Minor Leaguers has recommended Congress enact legislation nullifying the application of the exemption to minor leaguers.

“We look forward to providing detailed information to the committee regarding baseball’s limited antitrust exemption and how it has provided franchise location stability at the major league level, maximized the availability of minor league baseball for fans and quality employment opportunities for

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Dunkin’ Donuts Park is home to the Hartford Yard Goats, the Colorado Rockies’ Double-A affiliate. U.S. senators have asked baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred to explain the impact of potential legislation stripping the sport’s antitrust exemption from covering the sport’s relationship with minor league players. COURANT FILE

SPORTS

UP NEXT

Red Sox: Blue Jays, Friday, 7 p.m.; Blue Jays, Saturday, 4 p.m.; Blue Jays, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.
Yankees: at Houston (2), Thursday, 1 & 6:30 p.m.; at Orioles, Friday, 7 p.m.; at Orioles, Saturday, 7 p.m.
Mets: Padres, Friday, 7 p.m.; Padres, Saturday, 7 p.m.; Padres, Sunday, 7 p.m.
Yard Goats: at Binghamton, Friday, 7 p.m.; at Binghamton, Saturday, 6:30 p.m.; at Binghamton, Sunday, 1 p.m.
Sun: Liberty, Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.; at Lynx, Friday, 8 p.m.; at Lynx, Sunday, 7 p.m.
Hartford Athletic: Pittsburgh, Saturday, 7 p.m.; at Rio Grande, July 27, 8:30 p.m.; Birmingham, July 30, 7 p.m.

TV/RADIO

BASEBALL
8 p.m.: MLB All-Star Game American League at National League. (Live) FOX
BASKETBALL
11:30 a.m.: WNBA Liberty at Sun. (Live) NBA NESN YES
7 p.m.: The Basketball Tournament Gutter Cat Gang vs Team Arkansas. (Live) ESPN2
9 p.m.: The Basketball Tournament Second Round. (Live) ESPN2
10 p.m.: WNBA Atlanta at Aces. (Live) NBA
10:30 p.m.: WNBA Fever at Sparks. (Live) CBSSN
BICYCLING
8 a.m.: Tour de France Stage 16. (Live) USA
SOCCER
6:30 p.m.: Canadian Premier League FC Edmonton at Forge FC. (Live) FSP
9:30 p.m.: Canadian Premier League York United at Cavalry FC. (Live) FSP
TRACK AND FIELD
11:35 p.m.: World Athletics Championships. (Same-day Tape) USA

LOCAL BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEGION
TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE
CT Legion Tournament—First Round Northern Bracket
Pod **A:** Windsor Locks/Windsor at West Hartford, 5:30p.m.
Pod **B:** Torrington at Tri-Town, 5:30p.m.
Pod **C:** Enfield at Bristol, 5:30p.m.
Pod **D:** Simsbury at RCP Post, 5:30p.m.
Southern Bracket
Pod **E:** Fairfield at Hamden, 5:30p.m.
Pod **F:** Westport at Madison, 5:30p.m.
Pod **G:** Moosup at Trumbull, 5:30p.m.
Pod **H:** Ridgefield at Danbury, 5:30p.m.

CONNECTICUT TWILIGHT LEAGUE
MONDAY'S RESULTS
ROCK CATS AT DODGERS, LATE
ORIOLES AT PATRIOTS, LATE
BLACK SOX AT ANGELS, LATE

TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE
Dodgers at Rockies, 6p.m.
Aftershock at Rock Cats, 6p.m.
GREATER HARTFORD TWILIGHT LEAGUE
SUNDAY'S LATE RESULTS
PHILLIES 4, PEOPLE'S 1
Note: Luke Mathewson tossed a complete game, allowing 1 run on 3 hits with 6 strikeouts. Sammy Nevis had a double, 2 RBI and Chris Connell had 2 hits, including a double, for the Phillies.
JETS 12, CARDINALS 2
ORIOLES 6, EXPOS 4

MONDAY'S RESULT
PHILLIES AT JETS, PPD.

TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE
Orioles at People's, 6p.m.
Colts at Expos, 6:30p.m.
Phillies at Jets, 7p.m.
Graphics at Cardinals, 8p.m.

PETE KOKINIS BASEBALL LEAGUE
MONDAY'S RESULTS
19u
NEW BRITAIN PARKS AND REC AT PLAINVILLE DEVILS, PPD.
16u
STAFFORD ROYALS AT NOR'EASTERS-NEWINGTON, PPD.
WEST HARTFORD THUNDER AT COPPERHEADS-TORRINGTON, PPD.
14u
NEWINGTON RAIDERS AT FARMINGTON, PPD.

TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE
19u: New Britain Parks and Rec at Plainville Devils, 5:45p.m.; Farmington at Copperheads-Torrington, 6:30p.m.; Ahern Whalen-Middletown at South-ington Hitmen, 7:30p.m.
16u: Stafford Royals at Nor'Easters-Newington, 5:45p.m.; Ahern Whalen-Middletown at West Hartford

SUN

Former star UConn guard Hartley signed

By Joe Arruda
Hartford Courant

The Connecticut Sun signed former UConn guard Bria Hartley to a rest of season contract, the team announced Monday. Terms of the deal were not disclosed, per team policy.
Hartley averaged 2.5 points, 1 rebound and 1 assist in 8.7 minutes per game in 10 games with the Indiana Fever this season. She was waived by the Fever on Friday.
Drafted seventh overall in 2014 by the Seattle Storm before being traded to the Washington Mystics on draft day, Hartley played three seasons with Washington and was named to the 2014 WNBA All-Rookie Team. She was later traded

Thunder, 6p.m.
14u: Ahern Whalen-Middletown at CT Bulldogs-Wethersfield, 5:45p.m.

EASTERN LEAGUE					
Standings					
Northeast	W	L	PCT	GB	
Hartford	54	33	.621	—	
Somerset	53	34	.609	1	
Portland	43	44	.494	11	
Reading	40	47	.460	14	
New Hampshire	38	49	.437	16	
Binghamton	33	54	.379	21	
Southwest	W	L	PCT	GB	
Erie	50	36	.581	—	
Akron	45	40	.529	4.5	
Richmond	46	41	.529	4.5	
Altoona	45	42	.517	5.5	
Bowie	38	48	.442	12	
Harrisburg	35	52	.402	15.5	

SATURDAY'S LATE RESULTS
HARTFORD 9, HARRISBURG 4
SOMERSET 7, PORTLAND 3
ALTOONA 1, RICHMOND 0
ERIE 9, BINGHAMTON 7
AKRON AT BOWIE, PPD
READING 2, NEW HAMPSHIRE 0

SUNDAY'S LATE RESULTS
HARTFORD 7, HARRISBURG 3
PORTLAND 12, SOMERSET 11
ALTOONA 8, RICHMOND 3
AKRON 9, BOWIE 0
BINGHAMTON 4, ERIE 3
READING 4, NEW HAMPSHIRE 3

FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE
Bowie at Richmond, 6:30p.m.
Hartford at Binghamton, 7p.m.
Altoona at Harrisburg, 7p.m.
Reading at Somerset, 7p.m.
Portland at New Hampshire, 7p.m.
Erie at Akron, 7p.m.

WNBA					
Standings					
Eastern	W	L	PCT	GB	
Chicago	19	6	.760	—	
Connecticut	16	9	.640	3	
Washington	16	11	.593	4	
Atlanta	11	14	.440	8	
New York	9	15	.375	9.5	
Indiana	5	22	.185	15	
Western	W	L	PCT	GB	
Las Vegas	18	7	.720	—	
Seattle	17	8	.680	1	
Dallas	11	14	.440	7	
Los Angeles	10	14	.417	7.5	
Phoenix	11	16	.407	8	
Minnesota	10	17	.370	9	

SUNDAY'S LATE RESULTS
ATLANTA 85, WASHINGTON 75
SEATTLE 81, INDIANA 65

TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE
New York at Connecticut, 11:30a.m.
Atlanta at Las Vegas, 10p.m.
Indiana at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m.

Crawford

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“I’m really happy, and I’m really thankful that they are willing to let me try it out,” Crawford said. “And it’s one of those things, whatever works, works. Whatever doesn’t, doesn’t, and you have to live in reality about it.”

On the second day of the draft, one of Crawford’s former UConn teammates, pitcher Austin Peterson went to the Guardians in the ninth round. Darien’s Henry Williams was picked by San Diego in the third, and Yale’s Mike Walsh by Pittsburgh in the ninth.

Crawford, 6 feet 4 and 235 pounds, a left-handed batter and pitcher, had 14 homers and 78 RBIs in 64 games at first base for UConn in 2020 and ‘21. On the mound, he pitched only 7 ½ innings, but struck out 17. In the Cape Cod League, and with USA Baseball last summer, he hit 101 mph. Then he injured his left elbow and needed ligament replacement surgery in October, complicating his draft prospects as he missed the entire college season.

“[The pick] was an opportunity to take advantage of picking at the back of the first round, but getting a top first-round talent,” Michael Holmes, the Giants director of amateur scouting, told reporters via ZOOM. “I think if the season would have played out with him being on the field and not being injured, he would have gone out and proven that and shown so. ... We believe that if he can do both, and we’ve got plenty of time to figure out what the future is for him.”

Crawford said he could be cleared for live hitting in a couple of weeks, but with the typical recovery time for the surgery, won’t be ready to pitch competitively until next season. The Giants organization is known for taking risks in the draft, and while Crawford’s lack of college experience as a pitcher makes him an unknown, he has obvious upside.

“The combination of skill set plus character, it’s off the charts,” UConn coach Jim Penders said.

Crawford watched the draft at his grandmother’s home in Frackville, Pa., with tents set up in the backyard as family and friends gathered. His uncle, Frank Vernusky, lives in San Francisco and introduced Crawford to the game as a youngster, having him out for the All-Star Game in 2007. The jacket, lying around the house all these years, came

in handy.

Crawford spent much of his youth as a competitive swimmer, but his baseball ability began to show at North Schuylkill High, where Crawford hit .482 with eight homers and 39 RBIs in 26 games and struck out 49 batters in 33 innings on the mound. Though he was drafted in the 37th round by the Royals in 2019, he chose UConn.

“My time [at UConn] really does mean a lot,” Crawford said. “Those guys [the coaches] are like father figures to me. We share tremendous respect for one another. They took a chance on a kid who just started the [travel ball] circuit, and they supported me and everything they told me, to the last day I was on campus a few days ago, everything they told me was the way it was from day one. I try to look for people like that. It’s a special group of guys, and I honestly would not be where I am today without those guys.”

Crawford joins past UConn players taken in the first round, including Charles Nagy (1988), Mike Olt (2010), George Springer and Matt Barnes (2011) and Anthony Kay (2016), all of whom reached the major leagues.

A look at state’s Day 2 trio

On Day 2, Williams, a right-handed pitcher from Darien High who, like Crawford, is recovering from Tommy John surgery, was taken by Padres in the third round, No. 91 overall.

Williams, 6-5 and 200 pounds, pitched in nine games for Duke in 2020 and 21 with a 5.02 ERA, but he had 45 strikeouts in 37 innings. He began the 2021 season as the No. 2 starter but had recurring elbow pain and returned home before this past college season to have the surgery. Before the injury, Williams was throwing in the mid-90s with his fastball, with a slider-curve combo and changeup. He was ranked No. 81 among draft prospects by MLB.com.

Walsh, a righthander, who boosted his stock in the Cape Cod League, was taken in the ninth round by the Pirates, 260th overall. Walsh, 6-2, 195 pounds, a righthander from Illinois, pitched to a 5.58 ERA in 11 starts for Yale last season, but on the Cape, he struck out 23 in 11 ½ innings, hitting 95 mph.

The Guardians chose Peterson, UConn’s top starter, with the 271st pick. Peterson, a righty, struck out 147 in 110 innings for the Huskies last season and was 18-4 in two seasons after transferring from Purdue.



Red Sox starter Chris Sale leaves the field with a broken finger after getting hit by a line drive from the Yankees' Aaron Hicks in the first inning Sunday. He had surgery Monday. ELSA/GETTY

Sox

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If they were stinking it up in June but suddenly had two great weeks in July, we’d be talking about how this team is worth investing in. Instead, they had a great June, going 20-6, albeit against lesser competition, but now it’s time to trade Bogaerts, Nathan Eovaldi, J.D. Martinez, Kiké Hernandez, Christian Vazquez, Michael Wacha and Rich Hill?

All of them will be eligible for free agency at the end of the season, but only two of them, Bogaerts and Martinez, have proved to be healthy and performing at an elite level. Eovaldi could soon join that category, but his velocity was down in his first start after an extended layoff with back inflammation and it’s too soon to say just what his value might be.

Two-month rentals of Bogaerts and Martinez could net the Sox a few nice prospects. Would they be franchise-altering prospects? Almost certainly not.

A bigger mistake would be giving up on these guys now, turning the Red Sox into a total rebuild and making the next two months (two years, maybe?) an unwatchable mess while we’re supposed to focus more on the box scores in Worcester and Portland than the actual big league team.

Watching prospects develop into franchise stars is a fun B-plot. It’s not the

A-plot.

This is Boston, not Tampa Bay or Pittsburgh.

The Red Sox play in front of 30,000-plus at Fenway Park, not 7,000-plus in Cleveland.

It shouldn’t be this easy to turn a contending team in this market into a selling team.

The Red Sox asked for patience when they traded Mookie Betts to Los Angeles. They sold the fans on the promise of Alex Verdugo, Jeter Downs and Connor Wong.

Here we are, three seasons later, and all three of those guys are on the big league roster while the Red Sox are 13 ½ games worse than the Dodgers entering the break. Prospects aren’t always better than proven big-leaguers, a lesson we learn quite often.

Bogaerts and Martinez remain two of the game’s best hitters. With Rafael Devers batting in front of them, the Sox continuously boast a two-three-four part of the lineup that is as scary as any team in baseball.

Fix the perimeters of this team. Get Trevor Story, Wacha, Hernandez and Hill healthy. Acquire an impact bat to play right field. Promote Triston Casas to play first base. Find a legitimate, game-changing pitcher in the trade market and use pieces from the 11th-ranked farm system in baseball to acquire him. Make sure he’s got a few years of team control and the Sox have a chance at being competitive in 2023, Devers’ last season under contract.

Antitrust

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aspiring major leaguers,” the league said in a statement.

Senators asked about the potential impact of repealing 2018 legislation exempting minor league players from federal minimum wage and overtime laws — the Save America’s Pastime Act — and whether the antitrust exemption played a role in MLB’s decision in 2020 to cut minor league affiliations from a minimum of 160 to 120. They also asked whether MLB would commit to maintaining 120 affiliates when the current 10-year player development license agreements expire after the 2030 season.

Advocates for Minor Leaguers said in a statement that it believes the exemption “has had dire consequences for minor league baseball players and fans.”

Major league players on 40-man rosters, including those on option to the minors, are represented by the Major League Baseball Players Association. More than 90% of the several thousand players in the minors are not unionized.

In a proposed lawsuit settlement filed Friday in U.S. District Court in San Francisco, MLB agreed to pay minor leaguers \$185 million to settle alleged violations of minimum wage laws. An early estimate is that perhaps 23,000 players could share the money with an average payment of \$5,000 to \$5,500, and the settlement says \$55.5 million will go to the players’ lawyers.

Senators asked for MLB’s opinion on how its structure compares with those of the NFL, NBA and NHL, and what justifies maintaining the exemption for baseball. In the past, baseball officials have stressed the exemption allows them to prohibit teams from changing cities without MLB approval.

Senators inquired about the exemption’s impact on work stoppages — which is not at all since the Curt Flood Act of 1998 applied antitrust laws to MLB affecting the employment of major league players at the major league level.

“Please discuss the impact, if any, of the antitrust exemption on the negotiation of minor league players’ length of contract, wages, housing, or other working conditions,” they wrote. “What effect would removing the antitrust exemption have on minor league player working conditions and wages?”

They asked about MLB’s view of the impact on minor league players of the 1922 Supreme Court decision involving the Federal League that created the exemption, of last year’s Supreme Court decision ruling the NCAA can’t limit education-related benefits that colleges can offer sports stars (NCAA v. Alston) and the Justice Department’s statement of interest in a pending lawsuit filed by four minor league teams urging that “lower courts should limit the ‘baseball exemption’ to conduct that is central to the business of offering professional baseball games to the public.”

All-Star Game. While he’ll repeat over and over that the only thing he cares about is winning, Judge surely has some of his sights set on the single-season record, too. In order to reach 62 homers and wrestle the record away from Maris’ 1961 season, Judge will need 29 bombs in the team’s final 70 games.

Can the Yankees get over the Astros-sized hump? Let’s be honest. It would take a massive upset — or a colossal failure, perhaps injury-related — for the Yankees and Astros not to meet in the American League Championship Series. The last two times they faced off in the ALCS, the Astros got the upper hand. Will the third time be a charm for the Yankees?

Bria Hartley, who was waived by the Indiana Fever on Friday, has signed with the Connecticut Sun for the rest of the season. TONY GUTIERREZ/AP



BASEBALL

ANGELS

‘Made In Japan,’ embraced by America



Designated hitter Shohei Ohtani talks with third base coach Takayuki Onishi during a 2016 international exhibition series against Mexico in Tokyo. **AP FILE**

Angels’ Ohtani doing things no other player has ever done

By Stephen Wade
Associated Press

Shohei Ohtani of the Los Angeles Angels is doing things no other player has ever done. His roots are deep in northeastern Japan where he played high school baseball and got his start. High school baseball in Japan is highly competitive and is run in a military-like fashion with countless practices with a focus on the development of spirit, teamwork and self-sacrifice. Ohtani took that background with him to the United States. Baseball was first introduced in Japan in 1872 and Ohtani is the product of 150 years of evolution that has also produced other top players like pitcher Hideo Nomo and outfielder Ichiro Suzuki.

TOKYO — Shohei Ohtani is doing things no other player has ever done, a point of pride for Japanese like Fumihiko Fujisawa. Fujisawa is the president of the Association of American Baseball Research — similar in Japan to SABR, the Society for American Baseball Research. So he knows the numbers. But he has trouble recognizing Ohtani, who is built like a tight end in American football.

“In the last five years his body has become bigger and stronger. We see that he’s become an American — not a Japanese,” Fujisawa said.

There have been physical changes, added maturity and cultural adaptations. But make no mistake, Ohtani is “Made In Japan” — 100% — with roots deep in the Japanese countryside.

American Robert Whiting, who has written bestsellers about baseball in Japan, views Ohtani as the result of 150 years of baseball



Shohei Ohtani hits a home run during a national high school baseball tournament on March 12, 2012, in Nishinomiya, western Japan. **AP FILE**

evolution. An American professor in Tokyo in 1872 introduced the game, which is known in Japanese as “yakyu,” or “field ball.”

Ohtani follows two other milestone players — pitcher Hideo Nomo, who joined the Dodgers in 1995, and Ichiro Suzuki, who has more than 3,000 hits and is likely headed to Cooperstown when he becomes eligible in 2025.

But there were always qualifiers with those two, and with others. When Nomo excelled, some dismissed him as only a pitcher. Japanese could pitch — they were technically proficient — but couldn’t make it as position players. Then Ichiro came along. Well, he could hit but not for power.

Now comes Ohtani. He pitches, he has

power and he’s one player, not two. No asterisks or footnotes needed.

“Ohtani can defeat Americans on their own terms, or the Latin Americans for that matter,” Whiting told the AP. “I mean, he’s bigger than most of them. He’s stronger than most of them, plus he’s pitching every five days and he’s hitting at the top of the order every day. You can make the argument that Ohtani is the best baseball player in the history of the game just because of what he did last year and this year. You could argue that he deserves to be MVP every year as a top-10 hitter and top-10 pitcher.”

No argument from Astros manager and AL All-Star manager Dusty Baker, for whom Ohtani will lead off as the designated hitter in Tuesday night’s All-Star Game.

“He’s not just an All-Star, he’s a megastar,” Baker said.

Whiting is the author of the bestselling book “You Gotta Have Wa,” which looks at Japanese culture through the prism of sports. Another book, “The Samurai Way of Baseball,” follows the career of Ichiro, who was Japan’s most famous player until he retired in 2019. It was also titled “The Meaning of Ichiro.”

Ohtani came up in Japan’s highly regimented baseball system at Hanamaki Higashi High School in largely rural Iwate prefecture in northeastern Japan. Blue Jays pitcher Yusei Kikuchi attended the same high school a bit earlier.

As a teenager, Ohtani constructed an 81-box development chart detailing his goals. The step-by-step process is well known in Japan, and so is Ohtani’s own chart. He lists baseball areas for improvement, but also the mental and personal side.

He specifies, among other things, that to improve he needs to read books, clean the room, improve the slider, get the fastball up in the 100 mph range — and be trustworthy.

“Ohtani was raised in this Japanese, martial arts-inspired training system where you join a baseball team and you play year-round. It’s not a seasonal thing like the States,” said Whiting, who has lived on and off for 60 years in Japan.

“Ichiro in his first year in high school was probably the best player on the team, but he couldn’t play. He had to do the laundry and cook the meals. He’d get up in the middle of night and practice his swing. The same thing with Ohtani. He was cleaning toilets in high school during his first year.”

This is not that unusual. Public schools in Japan have limited cleaning staffs, so students do it to learn discipline and humility.

Ichiro had an edge, often defying the conventions of Japanese culture. The Japanese phrase “deru kugi wa utareru” captures him: “The nail that sticks up gets hammered down.”

Ohtani appears to be the opposite — polite, soft-spoken and discreet, a player whose only focus seems to be baseball. There are few reports about any social life.

“The guy is totally committed,” Whiting said. “It’s not too much to call him a modern-day warrior monk.”

“In high school there are countless, endless practices and development of spirit and teamwork and self-sacrifice,” Whiting added. “That’s the essence of the martial arts. It’s the essence of Japanese life. You see it in the corporations, in the school systems. He grew up in a culture where there was a lot of discipline.”

ALL-STAR GAME LINEUPS

Kershaw, McClanahan get starting nods

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Dodgers ace Clayton Kershaw will start for the National League on Tuesday night in the first All-Star Game at Dodger Stadium since 1980, and Tampa Bay’s Shane McClanahan will be on the mound for the American League.

Los Angeles Angels two-way star Shohei Ohtani will lead off for the AL as the designated hitter. Last year, he was the starting pitcher and led off as the DH in the AL’s 5-2 win at Denver.

Ohtani is 9-4 with 2.38 ERA on the mound this year, striking out 123 in 87 innings. The reigning AL MVP shut down Houston in his last outing Wednesday, and there was speculation he might start this Southern California showcase.

“From the information that we received from Ohtani’s camp was that, you know, he probably shouldn’t or wouldn’t start, and so then that’s why we chose Shane,” AL manager Dusty Baker of the Astros said Monday.

“They just said they preferred that, you know, he doesn’t pitch,” Baker said.

The 34-year-old Kershaw, a three-time Cy Young Award winner, is 7-2 with a 2.14 ERA and 75 strikeouts in 71 ⅔ innings. Two years ago, he helped Los Angeles win its first World Series title since 1988.

“It’s hard, because obviously Sandy Alca-

ntara, Tony Gonsolin, Max Fried, all these guys have better numbers than I do and they should be starting this game and I get that,” Kershaw said. “But all that to say, I am just so excited I get to do it here at Dodger Stadium.”

Kershaw, who passed Don Sutton in April for the team career strikeouts lead, will become the third Dodgers pitcher to start in the last seven All-Star Games, following Zack Greinke in 2015 at Cincinnati and Hyun Jin Ryu in 2019 at Cleveland. He will be the 13th pitcher to start in his home ballpark, the first since former teammate Max Scherzer in 2018 at Washington.

“I think because we are here in Los Angeles, the home of the Dodgers ... you toss this around and I’m thinking, Clayton’s name just kept coming to the forefront to start this game,” NL manager Brian Snitker of Atlanta said. “I think his reputation, what he’s meant to the game of baseball, the Los Angeles Dodgers, I think it’s just perfect that he start this game for us in the National League.”

Ohtani is 0 for 8 as a hitter against Kershaw. Last Friday night in Anaheim, Kershaw took a perfect game into the eighth inning and held Ohtani hitless in three at-bats, striking him out twice.

“I don’t know how I got him out. I guess I’ll try to get him out again tomorrow and see what happens,” Kershaw said.

ALL-STAR GAME ROSTERS

i-inactive; r-replacement

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Manager — Dusty Baker, Houston Astros

STARTERS
Catcher — Alejandro Kirk, Toronto Blue Jays
First Baseman — Vladimir Guerrero Jr., Toronto Blue Jays
Second Baseman — i-Jose Altuve, Houston Astros
Shortstop — Tim Anderson, Chicago White Sox
Third Baseman — Rafael Devers, Boston Red Sox
Designated Hitter — Shohei Ohtani, Los Angeles Angels
Outfield — Aaron Judge, New York Yankees
Outfield — i-Mike Trout, Los Angeles Angels
Outfield — Giancarlo Stanton, New York Yankees

RESERVES
Catchers
Jose Trevino, New York Yankees
Infielders
Xander Bogaerts, SS, Boston Red Sox
Jose Ramirez, 3B, Cleveland Guardians
Luis Arraez, 1B, Minnesota Twins
Andres Gimenez, 2B, Cleveland Guardians (will start)
r-Corey Seager, SS, Texas Rangers
r-Santiago Espinal, 2B, Toronto Blue Jays
r-Ty France, 1B, Seattle Mariners
Outfielders
i-George Springer, Toronto Blue Jays
Byron Buxton, Minnesota Twins (will start)
Andrew Benintendi, Kansas City Royals
Kyle Tucker, Houston Astros
Julio Rodriguez, Seattle Mariners
Designated Hitters
i-Yordan Alvarez, Houston Astros
Miguel Cabrera, Detroit Tigers (Special Selection)
Shohei Ohtani, Los Angeles Angels
r-J.D. Martinez, Boston Red Sox

Pitchers
Starters
Shane McClanahan, Tampa Bay Rays
Nestor Cortes, New York Yankees
Alek Manoah, Toronto Blue Jays
Framber Valdez, Houston Astros
Martin Perez, Texas Rangers
Paul Blackburn, Los Angeles Angels
Gerrit Cole, New York Yankees
Justin Verlander, Houston Astros
Shohei Ohtani, Los Angeles Angels
Relievers
Clayton Kershaw, Los Angeles Dodgers
Emmanuel Clase, Cleveland Guardians
Gregory Soto, Detroit Tigers
Jorge Lopez, Baltimore Orioles
r-Liam Hendriks, Chicago White Sox
r-Jordan Romano, Toronto Blue Jays

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Manager — Brian Snitker, Atlanta Braves

STARTERS
Catcher — Willson Contreras, Chicago Cubs
First Baseman — Paul Goldschmidt, St. Louis Cardinals
Second Baseman — i-Jazz Chisholm Jr., Miami Marlins
Shortstop — Trea Turner, Los Angeles Dodgers
Third Baseman — Manny Machado, San Diego Padres
Designated Hitter — i-Bryce Harper, Philadelphia Phillies
Outfield — Ronald Acuna Jr., Atlanta Braves
Outfield — Mookie Betts, Los Angeles Dodgers
Outfield — Joc Pederson, San Francisco Giants

RESERVES
Catchers
William Contreras, Atlanta Braves (will start at DH)
Travis d’Arnaud, Atlanta Braves
Infielders
i-Nolan Arenado, 3B, St. Louis Cardinals
Pete Alonso, 1B, New York Mets
Jeff McNeil, 2B, New York Mets (will start)
C.J. Cron, 1B, Colorado Rockies
Dansby Swanson, SS, Atlanta Braves
r-Jake Cronenworth, 2B, San Diego Padres
r-Austin Riley, 3B, Atlanta Braves
r-Freddie Freeman, 1B, Los Angeles Dodgers
Outfielders
Kyle Schwarber, OF, Philadelphia Phillies
Juan Soto, OF, Washington Nationals
i-Starling Marte, OF, New York Mets
Ian Happ, OF, Chicago Cubs
Designated Hitters
Albert Pujols, DH/1B, St. Louis Cardinals (Special Selection)
r-Garrett Cooper, Miami Marlins

Pitchers
Starters
Clayton Kershaw, Los Angeles Dodgers
Sandy Alcantara, Miami Marlins
i-Corbin Burnes, Milwaukee Brewers
Luis Castillo, Cincinnati Reds
i-Max Fried, Atlanta Braves
Tony Gonsolin, Los Angeles Dodgers
Joe Musgrove, San Diego Padres
i-Carlos Rodon, San Francisco Giants
r-Tyler Anderson, Los Angeles Dodgers
r-Miles Mikolas, St. Louis Cardinals
Relievers
Edwin Diaz, New York Mets
i-Josh Hader, Milwaukee Brewers
Ryan Helsley, St. Louis Cardinals
David Bednar, Pittsburgh Pirates
Joe Mantiplly, Arizona Diamondbacks
r-Devin Williams, Milwaukee Brewers

SCOREBOARD

SOCCER

MLS EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	10	2	9	39	33	15
New York City FC	11	4	5	38	39	21
N.Y. Red Bulls	9	6	3	30	22	—
CF Montréal	10	8	2	32	34	35
Orlando City	8	7	6	30	26	30
Columbus	7	5	8	29	27	22
Cincinnati	7	8	6	27	32	37
Charlotte FC	8	11	2	26	25	27
Inter Miami CF	7	9	4	25	22	31
New England	6	7	7	25	32	34
Atlanta	6	8	6	24	29	31
Chicago	6	10	5	23	21	27
Toronto FC	5	12	4	19	26	39
D.C. United	5	11	3	18	25	41
WESTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	13	4	3	42	40	22
Austin FC	12	4	4	41	42	24
Real Salt Lake	9	6	6	33	28	26
Minnesota United	9	8	4	31	29	25
Nashville	8	7	6	30	27	27
FC Dallas	7	6	8	29	21	25
LA Galaxy	8	9	3	27	28	27
Portland	6	6	9	27	33	30
Seattle	8	10	2	26	26	24
Vancouver	7	9	5	26	23	34
Houston	7	10	4	25	27	29
Colorado	6	8	6	24	24	27
San Jose	5	8	7	22	33	41
Sporting KC	5	12	5	20	19	38

Three points for win, one point for tie.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Miami at New York City FC, 7p.m.
Nashville at Cincinnati, 7:30p.m.
New England at Columbus, 7:30p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando City, 7:30p.m.
Charlotte FC at Toronto FC, 7:30p.m.
CF Montréal at D.C. United, 8p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 8:30p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Sporting KC, 8:30p.m.
FC Dallas at Real Salt Lake, 10p.m.
Colorado at Seattle, 10p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10p.m.
San Jose at Portland, 10:30p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 24
N.Y. Red Bulls at Austin FC, 8p.m.
Atlanta at LA Galaxy, 9:30p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 29
Seattle at Los Angeles FC, 11p.m.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Orlando City 1, Atlanta 1
New York City FC 1, N.Y. Red Bulls 0
Columbus 2, Cincinnati 0
Los Angeles FC 2, Nashville 1
Real Salt Lake 3, Sporting Kansas City 0
Houston 2, San Jose 1
Vancouver 1, Portland 1

NWSL CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
San Diego FC	6	3	4	22	19	11
Portland	5	1	6	21	29	10
Chicago	5	2	5	20	20	16
Houston	5	4	3	18	20	14
Kansas City	5	4	3	18	12	14
OL Reign	4	3	5	17	11	9
Angel City FC	5	4	2	17	10	11
Orlando	3	5	4	13	12	26
Gotham FC	4	6	0	12	7	18
Louisville	2	5	5	11	13	18
Washington	1	5	7	10	11	15
North Carolina	2	5	2	8	14	16

Three points for win, one point for tie.

FRIDAY, JULY 29
Washington at N. Carolina, 7:30p.m.
Sand Diego FC at Louisville, 8p.m.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Orlando 0, Washington 0
Kansas City 1, OL Reign 0

U.S. WOMEN'S SCHEDULE (10-0-1)
s-Feb. 17: U.S. 0, Czech Republic 0
s-Feb. 20: U.S. 5, New Zealand 0
s-Feb. 23: U.S. 5, Iceland 0
April 9: U.S. 9, Uzbekistan 1
April 12: U.S. 9, Uzbekistan 0
June 25: U.S. 3, Colombia 0
June 28: U.S. 3, Colombia 0
v-July 4: U.S. 3, Haiti 0
v-July 7: U.S. 5, Jamaica 0
v-July 11: U.S. 1, Mexico 0
v-July 14: U.S. 3, Costa Rica 0
v-July 18: vs. Canada, late
Sept. 3: vs. Nigeria, 1 p.m.
Sept. 6: vs. Nigeria, 6 p.m.
s-SheBelieves Cup
v-CONCACAF W Championship

CYCLING

109TH TOUR DE FRANCE
Monday: Red bay
OVERALL STANDINGS
1. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark 59:58:28
2. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia 2:22*
3. Geraint Thomas, Great Britain 2:43*
4. Romain Bardet, France 3:01*
5. Adam Yates, Great Britain 4:06*
6. Nairo Quintana, Colombia 4:15*
7. Louis Meintjies, South Africa 4:24*
8. David Gaudu, France 4:24*
9. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain 8:49*
10. Enric Mas, Spain 9:58*
Also
13. Neilson Powless, U.S. 18:11*
21. Sepp Kuss, U.S. 44:49*
25. Brandon McNulty, U.S. 1:00:05*
27. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S. 1:01:04*
52. Joe Dombrowski, U.S. 1:31:52*
74. Quinn Simmons, U.S. 2:01:05*

YOUNG RIDERS STANDINGS
1. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia 60:00:50
2. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain 6:27*
3. Brandon McNulty, U.S. 57:43*
4. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S. 58:42*
5. Andreas Leknessund, Norway 1:13:44*
6. Michael Storer, Australia 1:23:02*
7. Kevin Geniets, Luxembourg 1:31:42*
8. Go. Zimmerman, Germany 1:33:20*
9. Fred Wright, Great Britain 1:44:35*
10. Andreas Kron, Denmark 1:58:19*
Also
11. Quinn Simmons, U.S. 1:58:43*

MOUNTAIN STANDINGS **PTS**
1. Simon Geschke, Germany 46
2. Louis Meintjies, South Africa 39
3. Neilson Powless, U.S. 37
4. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark 36
5. Giulio Ciccone, Italy 35

TOUR STAGES
Tuesday, Stage 16: Carcassonne—Foix, hilly, 178.5 (110)
Wednesday, Stage 17: Saint Gaudens—Peyragudes, mountain, 129.7 (80)
Thursday, Stage 18: Lourdes—Hautacam, mountain, 143.2 (89)

WNBA

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	19	6	.760	—
Connecticut	16	9	.640	3
Washington	16	11	.593	4
Atlanta	11	14	.440	8
New York	9	15	.375	9½
Indiana	5	22	.185	15
WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Las Vegas	18	7	.720	—
Seattle	17	8	.680	1
Dallas	11	14	.440	7
Los Angeles	10	14	.417	7½
Phoenix	11	16	.407	8
Minnesota	10	17	.370	9

MONDAY'S RESULTS
No games scheduled

TUESDAY'S GAMES
New York at Connecticut, 11:30a.m.
Atlanta at Las Vegas, 10p.m.
Indiana at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S GAME
Seattle at Chicago, 12p.m.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Las Vegas 91, Connecticut 83
Washington 70, Minnesota 57
Atlanta 85, Phoenix 75
Seattle 81, Indiana 65

NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

NBA 2K23 SUMMER LEAGUE
Thomas & Mack, Cox Pavilion, Las Vegas
Sunday's results
Portland 85 New York 77 (Championship)
Toronto 80, Milwaukee 69
Phoenix 84, Indiana 69
Oklahoma City 107, New Orleans 71
Washington 87, Golden State 77
Utah 82, Denver 72

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WC
New York	64	28	.696	—	—
Tampa Bay	51	41	.554	13	+1 ½
Toronto	50	43	.538	14 ½	—
Boston	48	45	.516	16 ½	2
Baltimore	46	46	.500	18	3 ½
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WC
Minnesota	50	44	.532	—	—
Cleveland	46	44	.511	2	2 ½
Chicago	46	46	.500	3	3 ½
Detroit	37	55	.402	12	12 ½
Kansas City	36	56	.391	13	13 ½
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WC
Houston	59	32	.648	—	—
Seattle	51	42	.548	9	+1
Texas	41	49	.456	17 ½	7 ½
Los Angeles	39	53	.424	20 ½	10 ½
Oakland	32	61	.344	28	18

ALLSTAR LEAGUE			2022	
TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA
TB	AL: McClanahan (L)	10-3	1.71	
LAD	NL: Kershaw (L)	8p	7-2	2.13

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.
Career ASG: Pitcher's record in career All-Star Games.

TUESDAY'S ALL-STAR GAME
NL Stars vs. AL Stars, 8p.m., at Dodger Stadium, Los Angeles

THURSDAY'S GAMES
Texas at Miami, 1:10p.m.
G1: N.Y. Yankees at Houston, 1:10p.m.
G1: Detroit at Oakland, 3:37p.m.
G2: N.Y. Yankees at Houston, 6:40p.m.
G2: Detroit at Oakland, 7:07p.m.
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, 10p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 6:40p.m.
Chi Cubs at Pittsburgh, 7:05p.m.
Miami at Pittsburgh, 7:05p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore, 7:05p.m.
San Diego at N.Y. Mets, 7:10p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 7:10p.m.
L.A. Angels at Atlanta, 7:30p.m.
Cleveland at Chi White Sox, 8:10p.m.
Colorado at Milwaukee, 8:10p.m.
Tampa Bay at Kansas City, 8:10p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 9:40p.m.
Washington at Arizona, 9:40p.m.
Houston at Seattle, 10:10p.m.
San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Toronto 4, Kansas City 2
Tampa Bay 7, Baltimore 5
N.Y. Yankees 13, Boston 2
Chi. White Sox 11, Minnesota 0
Oakland 4, Houston 3
Seattle 6, Texas 2
Philadelphia 4, Miami 0
Washington 7, Atlanta 3
Chi. Cubs 3, N.Y. Mets 2
Pittsburgh 8, Colorado 3
San Francisco 9, Milwaukee 5
Arizona 3, San Diego 1
Cincinnati at St. Louis, p.p.d.
Detroit at Cleveland, p.p.d.

PAST HOME RUN DERBY WINNERS	YEAR	SITE
1985	Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome	
1986	Astrodome	
1986	Astrodome	
1987	Oakland-Alameda Co. Coliseum	
1988	Riverfront Stadium	
1989	Anaheim stadium	
1989	Anaheim stadium	
1990	Wrigley Field	
1991	SkyDome	
1992	Jack Murphy Stadium	
1993	Oriole Park at Camden Yards	
1994	Three Rivers Stadium	
1995	The Ballpark in Arlington	
1996	Veterans Stadium	
1997	Jacobs Field	
1998	Coors Field	
1999	Fenway Park	
2000	Turner Field	
2001	Safeco Field	
2002	Miller Park	
2003	U.S. Cellular Field	
2004	Minute Maid Park	
2005	Comerica Park	
2006	PNC Park	
2007	AT&T Park	
2008	Yankee Stadium	
2009	Busch Stadium	
2010	Angel Stadium of Anaheim	
2011	Chase Field	
2012	Kauffman Stadium	
2013	Citi Field	
2014	Target Field	
2015	Great American Ball Park	
2016	Petco Park	
2017	Marlins Park	
2018	Nationals Park	
2019	Progressive Field	
2020	All-Star Festivities Cancelled	
2021	Coors Field	
2022	Dodger Stadium	

TENNIS

HAMBURG EUROPEAN OPEN
Am Rothenbaum Rot-Weiss Club, Hamburg, Germany, outdoors, Red clay
MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
Alejandro Davidovich Fokina d. #5 Botic Van de Zandschulp, 6-4, 6-4.
#7 Karen Khachanov d. Jan-Lennard Struff, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6(2).
Alex Molcan d. Marko Topo, 7-5, 6-3.
Lorenzo Musetti d. Dusan Lajovic, 6-7(4), 7-6(4), 6-3.
Jozef Kovalik d. Max Hans Rehberg, 3-6, 7-5, 6-1.
WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#3 Barbora Krejickova d. Suzan Lamens, 6-2, 6-4.
#4 Aliaksandra Sasnovich d. Nastasja Schunk, 6-1, 6-4.
Anastasija Potapova d. #6 Varvara Gracheva, 7-5, 6-3.
#8 Andrea Petkovic d. Tamara Korpatsch, 6-3, 6-3.
Magdalena Frech d. Anna Kalinskaya, 6-1, retired.
Misaki Doi d. Oksana Selekhmeteva, 7-6(10), 6-0.
Rebecca Peterson d. Kateryna Bindl, 6-3, 6-0.
Alexandra Cadantu-Ignatik d. Nao Hibino, 6-3, 2-6, 6-2.
Maria Carle d. Eva Lys, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2.

WTA PALERMO LADIES OPEN
Monday at Country Time Club, Palermo, Italy, outdoors, Red clay
WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#3 Shuai Zhang d. Rebeka Masarova, 7-6(3), 7-6(7).
#4 Sara Sorribes Tormo d. Ana Bogdan, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.
#6 Irina-Camelia Begu d. Marina Bassols Ribera, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.
Oceane Dodin d. Matilde Paoletti, 6-4, 7-5.
Leolia Jeanjean d. Ylena In-Albon, 6-2, 6-4.
Jasmine Paolini d. Anna-Karolina Schmiedlova, 6-3, 6-1.

ATP SWISS OPEN
Monday at Roy Emerson Arena, Gstaad, Switzerland, outdoors, Red clay
MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#5 Pedro Martinez d. Carlos Taberner, 6-4, 6-3.
Alexander Ritschard d. #8 Joao Sousa, 6-3, 6-3.
Federico Delbonis d. Mikael Ymer, 6-4, 7-5.
Jiri Lehecka d. Tomas Martin Etcheverry, 6-1, 6-3.

ODDS

MLB ALL-STAR TUESDAY at Dodger Stadium, Los Angeles
FAVORITE LINE UNDERDOG LINE
at NL Stars -109 AL Stars -101
ASG MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
Shohei Ohtani (Angels) -105
Aaron Judge (Yankees) +130
Yordan Alvarez (Astros) +1,300
Mike Trout (Angels) +2,000
Rafael Devers (Red Sox) +2,300
Jose Ramirez (Guardians) +4,000
Vladimir Guerrero Jr. (Blue Jays) +6,000
Byron Buxton (Twins) +10,000
Giancarlo Stanton (Yankees) +10,000
Kyle Tucker (Astros) +15,000
Anthony Rizzo (Yankees) +15,000
Julio Rodriguez (Mariners) +15,000
Bo Bichette (Blue Jays) +20,000
Luis Robert (White Sox) +20,000
Shane Bieber (Astros) +20,000
Tim Anderson (White Sox) +20,000
Xander Bogaerts (Red Sox) +20,000
For the latest odds, go to FanDuel Sportsbook, https://sportsbook.fanduel.com/

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WC
New York	58	35	.624	—	—
Atlanta	56	38	.596	2 ½	+6
Philadelphia	49	43	.533	8 ½	—
Miami	43	48	.473	14	5 ½
Washington	31	63	.330	27 ½	19
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WC
Milwaukee	50	43	.538	—	—
St. Louis	50	44	.532	½	—
Pittsburgh	39	54	.419	11	10 ½
Chicago	35	57	.380	14 ½	14
Cincinnati	34	57	.374	15	14 ½
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WC
Los Angeles	60	30	.667	—	—
San Diego	52	42	.553	10	+2
San Francisco	48	43	.527	12 ½	½
Colorado	43	50	.462	18 ½	6 ½
Arizona	40	52	.435	21	9

	CAREER ASG			LAST 3 STARTS		
TR	W-L	IP	ERA	W-L	IP	ERA
12-6	--	--	--	2-0	19.1	1.40
7-5	0-2	6.0	4.50	2-0	22.2	0.400

HOME RUN DERBY
2022 FIRST ROUND MATCHUPS
#1 Kyle Schwarber, Philadelphia
#8 Albert Pujols, St. Louis
#4 Juan Soto, Washington
#5 Jose Ramirez, Cleveland
#3 Pete Alonso, N.Y. Mets
#6 Ronald Acuna Jr., Atlanta
#2 Corey Seager, Texas
#7 Julio Rodriguez, Seattle

MOST SINGLE ROUND HOMERS	PLAYER	TM	RD	HR
Vladimir Guerrero Jr.	Tor	2019Rd2	40	
Joc Pederson	LAD	2019Rd2	39	
Pete Alonso	NYM	2021Rd1	35	
Juan Soto	Was	2021Rd1	31	
Vladimir Guerrero Jr.	Tor	2019Rd1	29	

MOST SINGLE EVENT HOMERS	PLAYER	TM	YEAR	HR
Vladimir Guerrero Jr.	Tor	2019	91	
Pete Alonso	NYM	2021	74	
Giancarlo Stanton	Mia	2016	61	
Joc Pederson	LAD	2019	60	
Trey Mancini	Bal	2021	59	
Pete Alonso	NYM	2019	57	
Kyle Schwarber	ChC	2018	55	
Aaron Judge	NY	2017	47	
Juan Soto	Was	2021	46	
Bryce Harper	Was	2018	45	

MOST CAREER ERBY HOME RUNS	PLAYER	TEAMS	HR
Pete Alonso	NYM	131	
Joc Pederson	LAD	99	
Todd Frazier	Cin, ChW	91	
Vladimir Guerrero Jr.	Tor	91	
Giancarlo Stanton	Miami	83	
Prince Fielder	Milw, Detroit	81	
David Ortiz	Boston	77	
Albert Pujols	StL, LAA	71	
Ken Griffey Jr.	Sea, Cin	70	
Bryce Harper	Washington	69	

WINNER	TEAM	HR
Dave Parker	Cincinnati	6
Wally Joyner	Calif Angels	4
Darryl Strawberry	NY Mets	4
Andre Dawson	Chi Cubs	4
Cancelled due to Rain		
Eric Davis	Cincinnati	3
Ruben Sierra	Texas	3
Ryne Sandberg	Chi Cubs	3
Cal Ripken	Baltimore	12
Mark McGwire	Oakland	12
Juan Gonzalez	Texas	7
Ken Griffey, Jr.	Seattle	7
Frank Thomas	Chi White Sox	15
Barry Bonds	San Francisco	17
Tino Martinez	NY Yankees	16

NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

SHORTS

US has record-setting day at worlds



The U.S. track and field team won nine medals on home turf Sunday at world championships in what will go down as one of the most memorable days for the red, white and blue in its long, successful history. It was the best single medal day for a nation at worlds, according to meet organizers. It began with the hammer throw, where Brooke Andersen took gold and Janee' Kassanavoid won bronze. That was a warmup act for the night session, where seven medals piled up in a span of about 10 minutes. The women's pole vaulters led the run with Katie Nageotte, pictured, and Sandi Morris finishing 1-2. Moments later — and following a delay as Devon Allen unsuccessfully pleaded his case to officials to remain in the race — Grant Holloway defended his hurdles title, with Trey Cunningham close behind in second. Around the same time, the shot putters wrapped up a podium sweep with two-time Olympic champion Ryan Crouser taking gold, Joe Kovacs earning silver and Josh Awotunde finishing with bronze. All this came an evening after Fred Kerley, Marvin Bracy and Trayvon Bromell swept the 100.

Dixon adding to IndyCar history



Scott Dixon remembers winning his first IndyCar race more than two decades ago, and the thought of having his name someday mentioned in the same breath as A.J. Foyt, the Unser family and Mario Andretti seemed downright laughable. “There’s some numbers that are achievable,” Dixon explained, “but I think when you look at even getting to the Unsers, then Mario, this sport can be super tricky. You can be in it one minute and out the next.” All these years later, Dixon is still in it. Near the top of it, too. Dixon ended a 22-race winless stretch — a maddening eternity by his standards — when he held off pole sitter Colton Herta on a late restart to win Sunday’s return to the road course in Toronto. It was Dixon’s 52nd win in the series, all but that first with Chip Ganassi Racing, and it moved him into a tie with Andretti for second on the career list. Foyt is the only one left ahead of him, though even Dixon acknowledged his 67 wins might never be touched. “Probably have to be racing well into my 50s for that one,” said Dixon, who turns 42 on Friday.

Staley upset at ESPYs for Boston snub



South Carolina’s Dawn Staley, pictured, called out ESPN and its ESPY awards show for not inviting national player of the year Aliyah Boston to its ceremonies on Wednesday night. Staley mused publicly on social media how the people who planning the ceremonies decided “it was a great idea not to invite” the woman who won several national awards as one of the best players in women’s college basketball last season. “Not one person was able to see the uproar this would cause? There’s definitely something wrong with the make up of the room,” she said on Twitter. Boston captured the Wooden Award and AP honors as player of the year. She was also named Most Outstanding Player at the Final Four. Boston is nominated for “Best College Athlete, Women’s Sports.” ESPN and the ESPYs have “the utmost respect” for Boston, Staley, and the Gamecocks, according to a statement by ESPN. However, due to COVID-19 restrictions and a new venue with less seating capacity, organizers “prioritized athlete invitations to focus on specific awards that will be handed out during the broadcast.” —AP



Cameron Smith lines up a putt on the ninth green during his final round of the British Open on Sunday. **ANDY BUCHANAN/AFP**

GOLF

Smith’s course of action

A British Open champion and a man for any fairway

By **Doug Ferguson**
Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Cameron Smith made eight birdies on the final day of the British Open. His 8-under 64 was the lowest closing round at St. Andrews by the champion golfer of the year. His name on the claret jug includes his score of 268, the best ever on the Old Course.

What defined this tough-as-nails Australian in his greatest moment was a par.

Smith already had done the hard part by running off five straight birdies to start the back nine Sunday, ending the amazing streak with a two-putt from 90 feet over a massive mound that fed to the hole on the par-5 14th, giving him a one-shot lead over Rory McIlroy.

That was the score when Smith was on the 17th hole. He was in the fairway some 65 feet from the pin with the notorious Road Hole bunker in the way. Smith used his magic touch with the putter to run it along the edge of the bunker onto the green and made the 10-footer for par.

“I think it’s just another example of why he’s one of the very best,” said Cameron Young, who played with Smith and finished one shot behind him. “He made a really good decision and executed it perfectly. Today kind of just is more proof that he is that good, and he is one of the very, very best players in the world.”

And now Smith has a trophy to show for it.

McIlroy couldn’t make a 15-foot

birdie putt in the group behind him — he couldn’t make anything all day — and Smith effectively ended it with two putts from 80 feet on the final hole to claim his first major.

Even with the claret jug on the table next to him, it all felt so surreal to the 28-year-old Smith. He was working hard on his fitness and his game. He was hopeful of results. He just wasn’t necessarily expecting three wins this year, each one raising his profile that speaks to his No. 2 world ranking, a career-best. The question put to him Sunday evening made him laugh. Assuming someone knew nothing about golf, could he explain the difference between the TPC Sawgrass, where Smith won The Players Championship, and the Old Course?

It might be greater than the difference between filet mignon and haggis.

Smith did his best to go along in describing the Stadium Course, with its island green and deceptive shots, and a centuries-old links course that this week was so brittle and brown the balls rolled faster on the fairways than the greens. But he also explained his quality as a player.

“I think you have to be two completely different golfers to contend at both of those golf courses,” Smith said.

And he won on both of them — one the strongest field in golf, the other the oldest major in golf. His third win this year came at Kapalua on the Plantation course with its wild changes in elevation and big greens with high wind. He beat Jon Rahm, the No. 1 player.

“I think that’s just where I’m at the moment,” Smith said. “Towards the end of last year, I had a lot of chances and really didn’t get over the line.

I think that made me more eager, I guess, at the start of the year to really knuckle down and try and get over the line. For it to happen three times this year is pretty unreal,” he said. “I really wasn’t expecting that. I would have been happy with one.”

This was a big one. And it was a big disappointment for McIlroy, who along with Viktor Hovland started the final round tied for the lead. Smith and Young were four behind and by the end of the day, one had the silver claret jug and the other had a silver medal. Young made a 15-foot eagle on the 18th hole for a 65, tied for the lead for as long as it took Smith to tap in for birdie.

McIlroy did very little wrong and hardly anything right. He didn’t have many close looks at birdie and the few times he did, they slid by the hole.

The cheers were for McIlroy, immensely popular worldwide and especially this week, the 150th Open at the home of golf, as he tried to end his eight-year itch of watching someone else celebrate a major championship.

He knew Smith had pulled ahead with those five straight birdies.

“I had to dig deep to make birdies. And I just couldn’t,” McIlroy said. “I got beaten by the better player this week. To go out and shoot 64 to win the Open Championship at St. Andrews is a hell of a showing. Hats off to Cam.”

As McIlroy spoke to the media, he had to pause every now and then. The 18th green was behind him. There were cheers from a record crowd as Smith walked onto the green to accept the claret jug and be introduced as “champion golfer of the year.”

“There’s a worthy winner right on the 18th green right now,” McIlroy said.

NASCAR

Win doesn’t hide problems for JGR

By **Dan Gelston** | Associated Press

LOUDON, N.H. — Joe Gibbs had a New Hampshire race victory to celebrate — and a future dinner to fill his belly courtesy of the 21-pound lobster awarded to winner Christopher Bell — but some things still didn’t feel right to the Hall of Fame team owner.

No. 1, star driver Martin Truex Jr. had the dominant car most of Sunday’s race but faded to fourth, meaning the winless driver is suddenly on the NASCAR playoff bubble with six races left before the 16-driver field is set.

No. 2, two-time Cup champion Kyle Busch is unhappy. Sure, that’s not a new feeling for the notoriously prickly driver, but the circumstances bother him more than a run-in with another driver. Busch doesn’t have a new contract for 2023 and the process is moving along at such a slow pace, the driver said this weekend he has shopped himself to other teams.

“Turmoil is not a good word for it,” Gibbs said, laughing at a reporter’s suggestion. “Give me a better word. Maybe struggle or something right now. I think that happens in pro sports. I think that’s the reason why we all like it so much. It’s hard. It takes a lot up here.

“The thing that is probably the hardest is to get four teams going in the right direction.”

At least Bell pointed his No. 20 Toyota in the right direction — the one headed to NASCAR’s playoffs. Bell clinched his spot with a strong run late Sunday at New Hampshire Motor Speedway and won his second career Cup race.

Bell was the 14th driver to earn a spot in the 16-driver playoff field. With six races left in the regular season, it leaves open the possibility that more than 16 drivers could win a race and the final playoff spot or spots would be decided on points.

Bell will race for the championship over the final 10 races of the season. Busch has one win, so that secured him a spot in the field.

Denny Hamlin has balanced running a race team with Michael Jordan - and signing drivers to his 23XI Racing stable for 2024 — with winning two races this season to lock himself into the field.

That leaves only Truex among the four-car JGR flock without an automatic spot.

The 2017 NASCAR champion with Furniture Row Racing, Truex is fourth overall in the current points standings — essentially meaningless when the field is reset for the postseason. He’s 16th out of 16 qualified drivers and knows that as parity has shot through the field in the wake of the introduction of the NASCAR’s new Next Gen stock car, he can’t coast on points.

Truex won the New Hampshire pole, won the first two-stages and led a race-high 172 laps. But he couldn’t rebound from a two-tire pit stop late in the race that dropped him from contention.

“We just didn’t have anything to go forward on two tires,” Truex said. “The car absolutely hated it. It was nothing like it had been all day long. Couldn’t go anywhere. Just had to ride it out and get what we could out of it.”

Truex said the two-tire call was “wrong” and shrugged “what are you going to do?”

Truex can forget about points racing with a win next week at Pocono. He has wins on the tri-oval track in 2015 and 2018, though the new car has made old results largely unreliable as a predictor of future success.

Truex, though, admits the odds are against him if even one more driver wins and he is still winless after six more races.

“If another guy wins, then we’re out. That’s just the way it is,” Truex said. “We race every week, do the best we can, try to win races and, obviously, lately we’ve been capable. We’ve had cars capable of winning this year.”

Gibbs said he was surprised Truex hasn’t cracked the playoff bracket yet — and just as surprised that his race team has yet to sign Busch to a new contract.

Busch faced an uncertain future after M&M Mars announced it would pull its marketing spend at the end of this season. The company had sponsored Busch since he joined Joe Gibbs Racing in 2008.

The search for a new sponsor has dragged on and Busch has clearly been irked he doesn’t have a new deal. Busch said Saturday a new contract “would be nice, sooner than later.”

Busch did not offer specifics but said he has shopped himself to other teams, though championship-caliber rides are scarce.

“You’ve got to put a lot in place to make things work out, Gibbs said. “We’re working as hard as we can. We’re going after a number of different directions. So yeah, I’m surprised at this point that we haven’t been able to get that finished.”

The 81-year-old Gibbs still has plenty on his plate this season.

After delicately handling Loudon the Lobster, so does Bell: “Anyone have any butter sauce?” he tweeted.



Christopher Bell celebrates after winning Sunday’s race at the New Hampshire Motor Speedway. **CHARLES KRUPA/AP**

OBITUARIES BY TOWN

Avon Harry F. Fischer	Other Towns in CT Elaine Grant Josephine C. Kulo
Bloomfield Berniece Johnson	Out of State Charles R. Butts Carl G. Hyde Gladys Macdonough Peggy Ann Mongellow
Bristol Robert F. Marek Arthur Matthews Alba Mirabelli	Plainville Carl G. Hyde Jeanne F. Raducha
Burlington Howard G. Binney	Simsbury Harry F. Fischer
East Hartford Herbert "Bud" Regan	Southington David A. Bauchiero, Sr. Robert F. Marek Arthur Matthews Jeanne F. Raducha
Enfield Douglas J. Burby Carl G. Hyde	Suffield Anne Barberi
Glastonbury Gladys Macdonough	West Hartford Carol Sweedock
Hartford Roger S. Drezek Berniece Johnson	Windsor Locks Anne Barberi Douglas J. Burby
Middletown Mark Radziwon	
New Britain Roger S. Drezek Peggy Ann Mongellow	
Newington Peggy Ann Mongellow Thomas Rooney	

* Denotes name listing only.
Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Barberi, Anne



Anne G. Barberi, 74, of Suffield, devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and artist, passed away on July 15, 2022 at her home surrounded by her loving family. Daughter of the late Thomas and Anne (Scavetta) Bernier, she leaves her beloved husband of 57 years, Gene Barberi, Sr.; her daughter, Sandra Tomasiewicz of West Hartford, her husband Patrick and their sons Jack and Nicholas; her son, Gene Barberi, Jr. of El Paso, TX and his daughter Kristin and her three children. Anne also leaves her brother-in-law, Frederick Riverz Barberi and his son Mathew; her sister-in-law, Debra Barberi and her husband Jay; three cousins, AnneMarie, RoseMary, and Joanne; as well as numerous friends and extended family. Anne was an extremely talented and accomplished Fine Artist, specializing in Oil Paints. She studied with several master artists from across the country, and her paintings were exhibited and juried in many art shows, including those held in Naples, FL and Watch Hill, RI, her two favorite places to be with her family. You can visit Anne's art collection at Anne Barberi Fine Art America. Anne was also a great tennis player, enjoyed playing Mahjong with friends, and lived life to the fullest. She brought so much joy and laughter to everyone who knew her, and will be forever cherished and remembered. There will be no calling hours and services will be held privately, at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, donations in Anne's memory may be made to her favorite charity, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Pl, Memphis, TN 38105. For online condolences, please visit www.windsorlocksfuneralhome.com.

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Binney, Howard G.



Howard Gaynor Binney, a resident of Burlington for the past 50 years, passed away on July 16. He was 85.

Born on September 30, 1936, in Islip, New York, to Edwin Binney Sr. and Viola (Faas) Binney, Howard grew up in West Babylon on Long Island.

He initially attended the University of Tulsa in Oklahoma and later graduated from Bowling Green University in Ohio with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a focus in accounting. It was at Bowling Green that he met his wife, Karen (Kelsey) Binney, in accounting class. They married in 1963, just before he earned his MBA from West Virginia University.

After making Connecticut home, Howard worked for United Technologies, Travelers Insurance and Borgeson Universal.

He provided for his family, but he prioritized spending time with them. He reliably presented his wife with a Whitman's Sampler on birthdays, anniversaries and holidays, and he enthusiastically attended his children's sporting events, plays, dance recitals, band concerts and other activities. Hearing about others' accomplishments delighted him, and he frequently told his family how proud he was of them and the lives they had created for themselves.

Howard's favorite days started with a doughnut and iced tea (liquid sugar and lemon) from Dunkin' and ended with a bowl of ice cream. He loved a good BOGO sale, applauded drivers who used their blinkers correctly and always rooted for the underdog. He remained a lifelong Brooklyn Dodgers fan.

Howard is survived by his wife of nearly 60 years, Karen; children Gayle (Jeff Helman) of Irvington, New York, Erin (Billy Broadus) of Easthampton, Massachusetts, and Kyle (Rebecca) of New Hartford; and two grandsons, Jeremy and Nicholas.

He was predeceased by his brother, Edwin Binney Jr.

The family would like to thank the nursing staff at Governor's House in Simsbury for their friendship and care of Howard in his final days.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Burlington Volunteer Fire Department.

A private celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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Mirabelli, Alba (Barberio)



Alba (Barberio) Mirabelli, 92, of Bristol, widow of Dr. Vittorio Mirabelli, passed away on July 15, 2022 at Ingraham Manor in Bristol. To view Alba's full obituary, please visit www.dupontfuneralhome.com

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OBITUARIES

Burby, Douglas J.



Douglas James Burby, 37, of Windsor Locks, passed away unexpectedly at home on Saturday, July 16, 2022. Born in Springfield, MA, he was a resident of Enfield and Vernon before moving to Windsor Locks. Douglas was employed by Amazon. He was an avid NY Giants Football fan and enjoyed Martial Arts.

Surviving are his companion, Christin Smigielski; his father and step-mother, Peter and Denise Burby of Springfield, MA; two children, Ethan Burby and Aria Burby, both of Enfield; a brother, Justin Burby and a sister Jessica Burby, both of Springfield; his paternal grandmother, Diana Burby, who was affectionately called "Nana" because of Doug's special bond formed living with her for many years and by his maternal grandmother, Nancy Unitis. He was predeceased by his mother, Bonnie Unitis, and by a daughter, Skylar.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday from 6-8 PM at Erickson-Hansen Funeral Home, 411 So. Main St., New Britain. Please share a memory of Douglas with the family in the online guest book @ www.ericksonhansen.com

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Butts, Charles R.

Charles R. Butts, 75 of Kinnelon New Jersey, passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday July 12, 2022. He leaves behind his partner and soulmate, Pamela Morrison, brother Lawrence and wife Marla of Woodstock CT. and his Czarra family cousins Melanie, Penny, Edgar II and Jonathan and spouses which he had wonderful memories of gatherings and celebrations.

He was an Air Force veteran and attended the University of Vermont, receiving an undergraduate degree in Geology and a Masters Degree in Hydrogeology. He worked for Moretrench in Rockaway, NJ and was one of the founding members of Geoengineering in New Jersey working on the notable project of the Three Mile Island nuclear accident where he set up monitoring wells to measure ground water contamination. He was an avid salt and freshwater fisherman and enjoyed his many fishing trips with his brother on Cape Cod. Pam and Charlie enjoyed their many trips to Great Britain and Ireland. Charlie was an active member of the Franklin-Ogdensberg Mineralogical Society (FOMS) with whom he enjoyed the collection and showing of minerals and wonderful friendships with other members. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Morrison Etheridge Funeral Home, 86 Bartholdi Av, Butler, NJ. www.themorisonfuneralhome.com

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Drezek, Roger S.



Roger Stanley Drezek, 77, husband of Frances (Conoski) Drezek, of New Britain passed away peacefully at his home on Friday, July 15, 2022. Roger was born in New Britain on July 9, 1945 to the late Stanley and Pauline (Nadolny) Drezek. After attending local elementary schools, Roger went on to attend Central Connecticut State University in 1974 and advanced studies at



Jagiellonian University in Poland. Roger met the love of his life Frances and married in July of 1966. Roger was a Past Exalted Ruler of BPOE Lodge #957. His many hobbies included, newspaper research and file articles, particularly Connecticut High School sports football and basketball.

Roger worked in the steel industry as a sales rep for many years and then went on to work at Schaller Acura, Customer Service Department as a courtesy driver. He was always willing to help anyone. In his younger years, he loved to go fishing and hunting in Maine with family and friends.

Besides his wife Frances of 56 years, he leaves his brother Rick Drezek and his wife Karen, nephew Craig Drezek and his children, Chris and Cara, as well as several cousins and many fellow UConn and NBHS football friends. He was predeceased by his nephew Christopher S. Drezek.

Family and friends may call on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at the Duksa Family Funeral Homes at Burritt Hill, 332 Burritt St., New Britain from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Funeral services will begin Thursday at 8:45 a.m. from Burritt Hill Funeral Home, followed by a 9:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at Sacred Heart Church, 158 Broad St. New Britain. Roger will be lovingly laid to rest in Sacred Heart Cemetery. To share a memory with Rogers's family, please visit us at www.duksa.net



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Fischer, Harry F.



Harry F. Fischer, 88, of Simsbury, beloved husband of Lois (Stanton) Fischer, died Saturday, July 16, 2022 at Hartford Hospital. He was born June 15, 1934 in Pittsburgh, PA, son of the late Harry F. and Francis (Salter) Fischer and had lived in Simsbury for almost 50 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was a graduate of

Grove City College, Class of 1956, having received his Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. Mr. Fischer was the Second Vice President of Travelers Insurance prior to his retirement in 1993. He was a member of the Granby Senior Center and the Granby Camera Club. Harry enjoyed playing tennis and his computer flight simulator, loved to travel, was a hard worker and had volunteered at the West Hartford Senior center where he taught lessons on computers. In addition to his loving wife of 61 years, he is survived by his daughter, Sharon Fischer of Avon; his brother-in-law, David A. Stanton and a niece and several nephews. He was predeceased by his brother, Reinford S. Fischer. A memorial service will be held at 6:00 PM on Friday, July 22nd at the Vincent Funeral Home, 880 Hopmeadow Street in Simsbury. Visitation will be held prior starting at 4:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the Granby Senior Center Camera Club, 15 North Granby Road, Granby, CT 06035. Please visit Harry's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com.

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Grant, Elaine



Elaine (DePersia) Grant, 84, of Ashford, CT passed away peacefully on July 14, 2022 at home surrounded by family. She was born on December 25, 1937 to Lucy (Taylor) and Michael DePersia in Hartford, CT. Elaine married Thomas F. Grant, Jr. on December 12, 1956 and they had five children-Deborah (David Coulombe) of Tolland, Nadine

Firetto of Ellington, Laura Koropatkin (Richard Rodrigue) of Ashford, Thomas Grant III (Cindy Fox) of Holland MA, and Michael (Christine) Grant of Willington. Elaine had 13 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Elaine was a housewife and homemaker. She raised her family in Tolland, CT then retired to Stuart, FL for the next 18 years and finally returned to her family home on Lake Chaffee in Ashford, CT. She was President of the Women's Elks/Emblem Club, Vice President and Secretary of the Lake Chaffee Association, avid bowler and coach, Girl Scout/Brownie Leader, and participated in various clubs in Port St. Lucie Stuart FL during retirement.

A special thanks to the Visiting Nurses of Vernon and their hospice team for helping provide a peaceful transition to Heaven.

To honor Elaine's memory, we are holding a celebration of her life on Saturday, July 23, 2022 from 11:00am to 1:00pm at Lake Chaffee Association Hall, 15 Old Town Road, Ashford, CT 06278. We invite anyone who knew her to attend and remember her life. For an online memorial guestbook, please visit www.potterfuneralhome.com

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Hyde, Carl G.

On July 11th Carl G. Hyde, 77, of South Dennis, MA, passed away peacefully surrounded by many family members after a short but hard fought battle with cancer. Carl is survived by his loving wife of nearly 60 years, Sharon Hyde, who was his Plainville, CT, high school sweetheart. Born in Corpus Christi, TX, but spending most of his life in New England, Carl always had a passion for Texas and the South. Carl took after his late father, Carl Sr., with an innate and learned skill in electronics and computer programming, which allowed him to travel throughout the United States (if you ever needed directions anywhere in the US, Carl would know all the routes. . . and the best greasy spoons). Carl worked extremely hard to provide for his family and wasn't too proud to do any job having worked as a dishwasher, school bus driver, and a construction delivery driver. Carl's reach extended to the broader community having proudly served as a volunteer firefighter in Enfield, CT, Plainville, CT, and Pelham, NH, and also serving as an assistant harbormaster at Sesuit Harbor in Dennis. Dogs flocked to Carl, who would pet them for hours on end, but he lavished most of his love on his dear very well fed cats Joel and Tigger. Family meals were a time for enjoyment, with Carl at the grill, sitting with a plate of fried clams, or enjoying a cone of rum-raisin ice cream. Carl is survived by his dear wife Sharon Hyde (Daniels); daughter Wendy Nickerson and her husband James Nickerson of Harwich MA, and their four children, Brianna Nickerson, Dr. Ciarra Nickerson, Dalton Nickerson and Elijah Nickerson; son Carl Scott Hyde and his wife Diane Hyde of Dana Point, CA, and their two daughters Carly and Chloe Hyde; and son Duane Hyde and his wife Noreen Hyde of Durham, NH, and their two daughters Molly and Marlise Hyde. Carl is also the proud great-grandfather of Karter and Kole, sons of Brianna and her fiancé ShonDerrick Powell. In lieu of a funeral, Carl's immediate family will gather to celebrate his life and tip a glass of Tawny Port in his honor.

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Kulo, Josephine C (Carney)



Josephine (Carney) Kulo, 89, of Ridgefield and wife of the late David P. Kulo, Sr., died after a short illness on Wednesday,, July 6, 2022 at Bethel Health Care.

Josephine, known by all as "Jo", was born in her beloved Dublin Ireland on November 8, 1932, a daughter of the late Elizabeth and Thomas Carney. Jo grew up working at her mother's produce shop in Dublin along with her Aunt Sal. In 1955, she went with her sister to a dance at the Metropol in Dublin, where her life changed forever. There, she met her future husband David, who once he laid eyes on Jo, knew they would be together. They were married in 1957 and remained so until his death in 2002.

Jo was a devoted mother who raised two sons. She volunteered at the boy's schools on Long Island and was always eager to cook dinners and cakes for them when they got home. In 1976, the family moved to Ridgefield. With friends and family alike, Jo could always be counted on for a good laugh and a chat. More than anything, Jo loved being with people. Everyone fortunate enough to know her was instantly charmed by her smile and her laugh. She was a gracious hostess who always welcomed friends and family in her home and at her table, And no one dressed up everyday like Jo did – right up to the end, she always left the house in dresses and heels.

Jo was also a loving grandmother who was an active participant in her grandchildren's lives. She loved all of God's creatures including our family dogs. She was a devout Catholic and member of St. Mary's parish in Ridgefield.

Jo is survived by her children, Carl of New York City, and David and wife Louise, of Brewster, NY, her sister, Betty, of Tolland, CT, her grandchildren Thomas and Elizabeth, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Monday, July 25 2022 at St. Mary's Church in Ridgefield, CT.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be to the St. Jude's Children's Hospital, stjude.org/give to which Jo contributed generously throughout her life.

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Radziwon, Mark



Mark Radziwon, 67, of Middletown passed away on July 13, 2022 after a long illness. Mark was born in Middletown, the son of the late Mary Damiata Radziwon and Frank Radziwon. He was also predeceased by his brother, Anthony Radziwon. Mark graduated from Xavier High School and Central CT State University and enjoyed

a career in the gaming industry including Hartford Jai Alai, Foxwoods and Mohegan Sun. He most enjoyed being surrounded by his loving family and friends especially picnics at the beach in Branford and celebrations at Christmas and Easter. Mark is survived by his family of cousins including Patricia Bourne of Branford, Robert (Christine) Bourne of Middletown, Maura (Dan) Silbo of Wethersfield, Rose Damiata of Middletown and an aunt, Hilda Damiata of Middletown and many other cousins, relatives and friends. Mark's family is especially grateful to all the staff at DaVita Dialysis Center for their care and support to Mark over these many years. Services are private. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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Macdonough, Gladys (Green)



On July 14, 2022, Gladys Green Macdonough, formerly of Avon, East Hartford and South Glastonbury, went to her eternal rest with the Lord at McClure Miller Respite House in Colchester, VT, while in hospice care following a massive stroke, her loving husband Scott at her side.

Born January 30, 1935, in Putnam, CT, the daughter of Walter and Bertha (King) Green, she grew up in Pomfret, CT — often called ‘the inland Newport’ — and graduated from UConn in 1956. A long association with Vermont began during those college years as an avid skier, especially at Stowe and Mad River Glen.

Gladys began her 38-year career at Renbrook School in West Hartford shortly after graduation, first teaching 2nd grade, then moving up to middle school teaching history, obtaining a Masters in American Studies from Trinity College in Hartford along the way.

With a passion for history and independent research, Gladys authored ‘The Stone and the Spirit’, a guide to Wethersfield’s ancient burying ground, her husband’s hometown. Together they restored a colonial saltbox house on Silver Lane in East Hartford, getting it listed on the State Register of Historic Places, and later moved to South Mill Village in South Glastonbury, where they became active in the local historical society. At the time of her death, Gladys was writing a book on ‘The Life and Times of the Rev. Timothy Stevens, Glastonbury’s First Minister (1692-1726)’, which she and Scott had spent years researching.

Eight years ago she and Scott moved to Naples, FL, which they have loved. Then, as decades-long visitors to Grafton, VT, they began spending summers there, becoming involved in various local organizations, especially the Historical Society and its museum.

Predeceased by her parents and by brother Ivar, Gladys is survived by Scott Macdonough, her husband of 42 years; by cousin Ginny Sears of North Woodstock, CT; and by nephew Michael Green of Bantam, CT.

Gladys’ ashes will be interred in Glastonbury, CT at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in her honor may be made to The Salvation Army, The American Red Cross, or Habitat For Humanity.

A.W.Rich Funeral Home in Essex Jct., VT is handling arrangements. Please visit awrfh.com to share your memories and condolences.

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Marek, Robert F.



Robert F. Marek, 86, of Bristol, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Friday, July 15, 2022 at the HOCC at Bradley Memorial. He was born on January 15, 1936, in Norwich, and was the son of the late Frank and Josephine (Browy) Marek. He was a US Army Veteran. Prior to his retirement Bob was a heavy equipment operator for Local 42. He was an avid classic car collector and had many classic cruisers. He was a member of the Moose Club and a life member of the Quartet Club. Bob enjoyed going to car shows, swap meets, auctions and tag sales. He loved spending time at his Klondike Camp Resort in Otis, MA. He is survived by his girlfriend Patricia Wojcik of Bristol, his children Robert F. Marek Jr. and wife Carrie of Okmulgee, OK, Annette J. Bishop and husband Scott of Meriden, Diane L. Marek of Bristol, Ronald J. Marek and fiancée Tina Pagano of Southington, Cheryl A. Marek of Plantsville and Robert J. Marek of Bristol. Stepchildren, Dale Dearborn, Denise Cooper and Wayne Dearborn; grandchildren Robert F. Marek III, Melinda Spencer and husband Blake, Anthony Doneday, Deidra Plourde, Melissa Rader and husband Keith, Jason Marek, Amanda Rideout and husband David Andrew R. Marek and Megan Marek as well as 11 great-grandchildren. He also leaves his brothers Brian Marek and wife Debbie and Randall Marek and wife Donna all of Southington, his sister Ruth Kingsley of FL. and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife Judi Marek, grandson Nicholas Davis, a brother Frank Marek and stepdaughter Darla Allen. His funeral service will be held on Friday, July 22nd at 10:30 a.m. at the DellaVecchia Funeral Home, 211 N. Main St. Southington. Burial with military honors will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. Calling hours will be Thursday from 4 – 7 p.m. Donations may be made in his memory to St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. For online condolences and directions please visit www.dellavecchiasouthington.com

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Johnson, Berniece



Berniece (Hooker) Johnson, 97, of Windsor, Connecticut, departed this life on July 8, 2022. She was born in Lakeland, Florida on August 12, 1924, to the late Charles and Lillie Mae (Brewington) Hooker.

She was the loving wife of the late Earl Johnson. Berniece was a faithful servant and one of the founding members of Hope Seventh Day Adventist Church where she served for over 40 years. She started the Food Share Program at the church to feed and support families in the community.

Berniece Johnson wore many hats, as she was a factory worker, beautician, and worked at Battison’s Cleaners. In the past, she served as President of the Greater Hartford Negro Republican Club, a Justice of the Peace, and she also went door to door registering people to vote.

Berniece, along with her many accolades, was a frequent traveler. Although Berniece Johnson did not have children of her own, she leaves to cherish her memory many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews and her goddaughter.

Bernice will also be missed by friends, neighbors and church members.



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Mongellow, Peggy Ann (Crouse)



Peggy Ann Mongellow (Crouse) passed away in Dandridge Tennessee on February 3, 2022 at the age of 88. Born in Detroit on June 20, 1933 to Homer and Margret Crouse, she was the second youngest of five children. The family lived in Philadelphia, New Britain and ultimately in Newington. She graduated Newington High in



1951, where she met the love of her life, Bob Mongellow. They were married in 1954 after she graduated from the Pennsylvania School of Nursing as an LPN and Bob finished his service in the Army. Peggy Ann (don’t call her Peggy!) and Bob returned to Newington and she immediately went to work at the Newington Children’s Hospital, where she practiced nursing for over 31 years. While raising her two sons, she continued her education, earning her Registered Nurse degree at Middlesex Hospital and Bachelor of Arts from CCSU. While at the NCH she rose to become the Head Nurse in Charge on Five North, and is still fondly remembered for her intellect and humor by the many nurses she trained, and the patients she cared for. She and Bob moved to Berlin, CT in 1977 and were able to enjoy many years of boating on the Connecticut River out of the Deep River Marina, vacationing and then moving to Maine after retiring in 1995. They eventually settled in Dandridge TN for the remainder of her retirement. Moving from boats to large RV’s, they used Dandridge as a halfway point between visits to family and their many friends in New England and Florida. Throughout her life she loved her cats, especially Mr. Macgregor, and the many golden retrievers that she and Bob raised on a regular basis. She always kept herself busy with lots of hobbies most notably gardening, quilting, sewing, baking and was always a voracious reader of all kinds of novels. Peggy Ann was famous for always beating her sons, grandchildren, family, pretty much everyone, at scrabble. She was a member of the Newington Junior Women’s and Garden Clubs and was a member of the Amaranth. She leaves behind and will be missed by her husband Bob, sons Jim (Colorado Springs), Tom and his wife Tamra (Newington), grandchildren Richard Vaughn (Ashleigh) of Ft Myers, FL, Candice of Austin, TX, David of Sterling, VA, and two great grandchildren, Griffin (FL) and Dasheill (VA). She also leaves her brother Monroe Derr (New Britain) and many Crouse, Derr, Buntin and Mongellow nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister Doris Buntin and brothers Raymond Derr and Robert Crouse. A very special thanks to the staff at the Chandler House in Jefferson City TN for their exemplary care of Peggy Ann over her last year. Services will be private and memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the Connecticut Children’s Medical Center or the Connecticut Humane Society.

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Rooney, Thomas



Thomas Deely Rooney, 69, of Newington, beloved husband of 29 years, of Tina (Valvo) Rooney, passed away peacefully on Saturday July 9th. Born April 9, 1953 in Hartford he was the son of the late Robert and Margaret (Deely) Rooney. Tom worked as a landscaper for most of his career. Besides the love of his life, his wife Tina he is survived by a brother Robert and wife Dotty Rooney, brother-in-law Joe and wife Ellen Valvo, sister-in-law Joanne and husband Troy Morris and eight cherished nephews and nieces – Sarah, Bobby and wife Angie and David Rooney, Anna, Laura and Michael Valvo and Alex and Logan Morris. Tom also leaves many special cousins and friends

Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, August 1, 2022 at 10 am at Holy Spirit Parish, 183 Church Street, Newington CT 06111

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Raducha, Jeanne Francis



Jeanne Francis Raducha passed away peacefully, while in Hospice Care at New Britain General Hospital, surrounded by her loving family on July 14, 2022, after reaching her 93rd birthday.

Born on June 28, 1929, in Southington to Josephine and Dominic Pedrolini, Jeanne attended New Britain General Hospital School of Nursing. One of her patients, a football player who sustained a broken nose, would become her husband of 52 years, Chester “Chappy” Raducha. In 1950, Jeanne obtained a degree in Nursing and a future husband, broken nose and all, from New Britain General Hospital. Jeanne is predeceased by her beloved husband Chester Raducha, who shared 52 years of marriage, and her brothers Robert and Thomas Pedrolini.

Jeanne is survived by her sister Betty Walston and her children Nancy Raducha of Plainville, Michael Raducha of Plainville, Joann Healey and her husband Jim of Newburyport, MA, and Paul Raducha and his wife Beth of Bristol, RI; her grandchildren Rachel Valentine and husband Jamie; Abby Gagnon and husband Mike; Nicholas Raducha; Justin, Meghan, and Lauren Healey; Aleksey Greenfield; Quinly and Piper Raducha; and her great-grandchildren Addison, Jack, Kaedin and Zoey; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

When Jeanne was not working as a Registered Nurse at Andrew House Healthcare or Whiz Kids Daycare or tending to raising her family, she and Chappy loved playing cards with their close-knit friends, especially her sister-in-law Ida Pedrolini and her cousin, Terry Pedrolini. The Golden Girls, as some referred to them, also traveled extensively and undoubtedly got themselves in predicaments that can only be referred to as: “You did what?”

She possessed a dry sense of humor that caught you off guard and her laugh was infectious. She treasured her collection of dolls and music boxes which she loaned for display to the Plainville Library.

A special thanks to the outstanding and compassionate staff at the C-5 floor of the Hospital of Central Connecticut - New Britain General Campus. Calling hours will be held on Thursday, July 21st, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville, CT. The Funeral will be held on Friday, July 22nd, 9 a.m. from the Plainville Funeral Home, 81 Broad Street, Plainville to Our Lady of Mercy Church, 94 Broad Street, Plainville at 10 a.m. for a Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be held at St. Thomas Cemetery, 351 Meriden Ave, Southington. Donations may be made in Jeanne’s memory to the American Heart Assoc., National Center, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231 or by going to <https://www.heart.org>. For more information or to leave online expressions of sympathy, please visit www.PlainvilleFuneralHome.com.



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Matthews, Arthur



Arthur J. Matthews, 64, of Bristol passed away unexpectedly on Friday, July 15, 2022 at Bristol Hospital. He was born July 14, 1958 in Bristol and was the son of the late Robert Norman Matthews Sr. and Genevieve Ann (Wells) Matthews. Arthur was the owner of Southington Beef, Bristol Beef and Springdale Valley Farms.

Arthur leaves the love of his life of 30 years, Chantal Laprise of Bristol; two daughters, Krystle Laprise and husband Christopher Vancour of Plainville and Denise Goff and husband John of Terryville; three cherished grandchildren, Christopher Goff and Dylan Goff, and Ellie Rose Vancour; a nephew, Jeff Matthews, who was like a son to him. Art leaves brothers Robert, Charlie, Paul, John, Mike, Billy, Norman, Eddie and Don and sisters June and Joan. He was predeceased by sisters Gen, Sue, Laura, Cindy and Mary Lee. Calling hours will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2022 from 10 – 12 p.m. at the DellaVecchia Funeral Home, 211 N. Main St., Southington followed by a service at 12 p.m. Burial will follow at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery. For online condolences and directions please visit, www.dellavecchiasouthington.com

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Regan, Herbert "Bud"



Herbert J. “Bud” Regan, 97, of East Hartford, beloved husband and best friend for over 70 years of Mary (Martin) Regan, passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, July 16, 2022.

Bud was the son of the late Thomas and Mabel (Burns) Regan. He grew up in Rockville and graduated from Rockville High School. Bud was drafted after high school and proudly



served his country in the United States Navy during World War II. He was employed as a Clerk with the United States Postal Service, retiring after 30 years of service. Bud was a faithful communicant of North American Martyrs Parish in East Hartford for many years.

Bud was a loving and devoted husband, brother, uncle, and friend. He will fondly be remembered as a true gentle man who was kind and giving. Bud enjoyed the simple things in life and was devoted to the love of his life, Mary. He was generous with his time and talents and liked to support worthy causes. Bud had a wonderful sense of humor and was always the “fun uncle,” who loved to take trips with his family, especially to Cape Cod and Maine. He leaves a legacy of beautiful memories that will live in the hearts of all who knew and loved him. As a younger man, he liked to putter around the house and work in his garden. In his retirement, Bud and his brother, Tom, took up the game of golf. He also enjoyed jigsaw puzzles and was an avid reader of the daily newspaper. Bud was a fan of the Boston Red Sox, the New York Giants, and the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame.

In addition to his loving wife, Mary, Bud is survived by many nieces and nephews, including Linda (Stanley) McFarland, Patricia (Michael) Moore, Robert Pontillo, Karen (Mark) Viklinetz, Margaret Arico, Mary Frattura, Anne (Jeffrey) Salinsky, Jane Olson, Eileen Thomas and Emily Robakiewicz; as well as several great nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his siblings, Mary Jane (Peter) Arico, Kathleen Regan, Thomas E. Regan Jr., and James J. Regan; as well as a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Therese (Martin) and John Pontillo.

Bud’s family would like to thank the home health aides who took such good care of him during his final months, especially Joanna, Anna O., Eliza, Anna D., and Bozena. His family will receive friends on Thursday, July 21, 9-10 a.m., at Samsel & Carmon Funeral Home, 419 Buckland Road, South Windsor, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, 10:30 a.m., at North American Martyrs Parish, St. Rose Church, 33 Church Street, East Hartford. Burial will follow in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Bud may be made to North American Martyrs Parish, 15 Maplewood Avenue, East Hartford, CT 06108.

To leave a condolence for his family, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.



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Sweedock, Carol

Carol Sweedock, 75, of West Hartford, CT, passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at Hughes Nursing Home in West Hartford, CT. She was born in Meriden, CT, October 18, 1946, daughter of the late Robert and Shirley Sujdak.

Carol worked as a computer programmer for the State of Connecticut for many years until her retirement. Carol is survived by her partner of 35 years, Antres Buford of West Hartford, CT, and her sister Marie Lutkus of Cheshire, CT, two nephews and other relatives and numerous friends.

Following Carol’s wishes, she will be cremated, and interment will be at the convenience of the family. Cards of condolences can be mailed to 111 Selden Hill Drive, West Hartford, CT 06107



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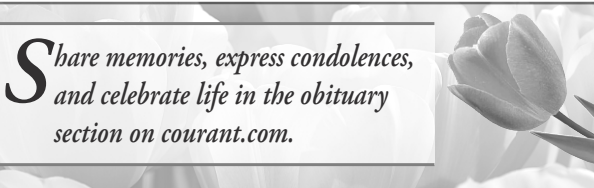
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